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## Soviet Troops Threaten U.S. Military Police With Tommy Guns

### THREE TENSE INCIDENTS IN BERLIN

Berlin, Sept. 16.—Armed Russian troops invaded the American sector of Berlin at three points today and threatened United States military policemen with tommyguns. In each instance, the Americans forced the bellicose Russians back to their own zone after tense minutes, during which a single false move might have precipitated a clash.

It was believed the Russians were trying to kidnap German policemen in the opening move of a drive to wipe out all opposition elements in Berlin and in the Russian Occupation Zone generally.

## Fashion Show Murder

Lake Como, Italy, Sept. 16.—The police reported that the beautiful Italian Countess Pia Bellantoni shot and killed one of Italy's richest silk industrialists here last night during one of the season's swankiest fashion shows.

The victim, Carlo Sacchi, 42, was shot as he applauded 51 parading models of the Biki fashion house.

The police said that the countess, who is a member of the oldest aristocracy in Reggio Emilia, refused to give any reason for the shooting. She and her husband were under arrest.

The fashion show had just begun in the famed Villa Deste, grand hotel on Lake Como, when the countess left her table, returned with a gun and shot Sacchi through the chest. Witnesses said that the sound of the shot was barely audible over the noise of the applause and orchestra. Sacchi died before reaching hospital.—United Press.

## Princess Margaret Launches Ship

Glasgow, Sept. 16.—Princess Margaret, named and launched the 12,200 ton tanker British Mariner, at the Harland and Wolff Shipyard here on Thursday.

On her last visit to the Clyde for the launching of the liner Queen Elizabeth by the Queen in 1938, the Princess had to be lifted up to see the giant ship slide down the ways.—Associated Press.

## EDITORIAL

### Future Of Italian Colonies

THE problem of the disposal of the former Italian colonies, which the Council of Foreign Ministers has now thrown back into the lap of the United Nations Security Council, is of the utmost complexity. Any solution must take into consideration the wishes and welfare of the inhabitants on the one hand and the views of interested governments on the other. The United Kingdom proposals were designed as far as possible to reconcile these conflicting interests. One inescapable fact has to influence any decision reached about the future of the pre-war Italian colonies: that is, none of the territories is politically, or economically, fit for independence. Accordingly the proposal that Italian Somaliland should be placed under United Nations trusteeship with Italy as the administering authority has gained some support. But Britain feels at the same time that this must be conditional upon a satisfactory solution for Ethiopia, since it is necessary to take into consideration Ethiopia's desire not to see Italy re-established on both her northern and southern frontiers. In Ethiopia, it has to be noted, not more than ten percent of the population favour Italian trusteeship, while the largest body of opinion (although not an overall majority) desires union with Ethiopia. Again, one-third of the population of Eritrea are Moslems whose interests must be safeguarded. In these circumstances the proposal that Ethiopia should be appointed the administering authority under United Nations

German sources said the Russians were importing the entire 20,000-men Moscow-trained police corps formed from troops under General Winter von Seydlitz, captured at Stalingrad.

They said these Germans had been ordered to stamp out all opposition elements.

Russian-licensed German newspapers reported that in the latest anti-Soviet demonstration in Berlin schoolchildren stoned German policemen in the Russian sector on Tuesday.

### SOLDIERS HELD UP

The most serious of the incidents in which Russian troops invaded the American sector came when American Privates David Ruffner and Richard Alverson saw a truck and two jeeps filled with armed Russian troops standing in front of the German police station in Schlesierstrasse just inside the American zone.

Ruffner said, "One of the Russians jabbed a machinegun in my guts. I got mad, shoved it away and turned my own tommygun against him. Another Russian levelled his tommygun at me."

At this point a Russian officer came from the basement of a nearby building and ordered the Soviet troops to lower their guns.

American reinforcements arrived and the Russians retreated. In another incident, a Russian sentry chased an aged German from the Soviet sector into the American sector. Near Anhalter railway station, a Soviet jeep containing four Russian soldiers came into the American sector, chasing a German police radio patrol car. The Germans escaped and the Russians went back to their own car.—United Press.

### WEEKEND MEETING

London, Sept. 16.—An authoritative British source said on Thursday the Western envoys expected to see Russia's Foreign Minister, V. M. Molotov on the East-West Berlin dispute over the weekend.

The source said the envoys were awaiting a call from the Russian Foreign Minister to whom they had made "certain representations" when they saw him on Tuesday. It added that if M. Molotov turns those down it may well end the Moscow phase of the 49-day-old East-West exchanges.

In that case he said, the talks probably will be switched to Paris to be continued either informally by the Western powers have by no their allies or by the United Nations General Assembly. If the Western powers decide to appeal to that body, Responsible diplomatic officials said the Western powers have by no means made up their minds to turn to the United Nations if the Moscow talks end in deadlock.

These officials pointed out that the Western powers have stressed repeatedly that they are not prepared to negotiate a settlement on Berlin "under duress."

### TRICKY POINT

The tricky point still to be decided according to one official who has been following the talks from the inside is whether talks in the Assembly about Berlin would not in fact constitute "negotiation under duress."

For while the United Nations debates the matter the Russians could still be exerting pressure in Berlin. The British at least have not made up their minds what to do, these officials said.

Many British newspapers reported that the Western envoys told Molotov their governments "wanted a reply to the questions they put to him within a stated time—well before the scheduled September 21 opening of the United Nations General Assembly."

A British informant said today no such time limit had been specified. He said, however, the envoys probably pointed out to M. Molotov that they would like to know one way or another what could be done to achieve a settlement in Berlin before they left Moscow to attend the United Nations meetings in Paris.

A Foreign Office spokesman made these two points in a news conference. 1. Frank Roberts, British envoy, will not return to Moscow, 2. that collapse of talks is not expected.—Associated Press.

## 'T.V.' WELCOMES ECA AID

Canton, Sept. 17.—Governor T. V. Soong said on Thursday in an interview that he welcomed the ECA allocation of US\$5 million for use in rehabilitation of the Canton-Hankow railway, even though it was somewhat less than originally expected.

The provincial governor denied reports that work on the Canton-Hankow harbour development project had been suspended as asserted in some Hongkong Chinese newspapers. He said that the work was proceeding satisfactorily and that no outside help would be needed to finance it. He said, however, that no date of completion could be given at the moment.

With regard to the move by the Legislative Yuan to make Hainan Island a separate province, Dr Soong said he had no official information, but indicated that in any case Hainan will remain under his jurisdiction militarily.—Associated Press.

## Arabs To Set Up Palestine Govt.

Beirut, Sept. 16.—The Arab Government for Palestine will be set up within the next 24 hours, according to the Arab Higher Committee today.

Jamal al Hussein of the committee said that the seat of the new Government would probably be Nabulus or Gaza.

Meanwhile, Count Folke Bernadotte arrived to discuss the Arab refugees' problem with Lebanese officials.

The Government announced it will initiate diplomatic relations with India and Pakistan.—United Press.

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## Tougher Going For Indian Troops

### HYDERABAD FORCES STARTING SCORCHED EARTH TACTICS

New Delhi, Sept. 16.—Frontline reports said today that the Indian troops striking for the capital of Hyderabad found mined roads and tough dihard opposition from the Moslem fanatic warriors, but have driven 30 miles in 24 hours to only slightly more than 60 miles from their objective.

Dispatches bore out the belief that the Hyderabad forces would make it costly to take Hyderabad, the seat of the fabulous Nizam who rules the Princely state.

Official reports said the First Indian Armoured Division, smashing ahead 30 miles, captured the strategic road and rail junction of Zahirabad. This town is 80 miles inside the Hyderabad frontier along the road measuring 154 miles from the border to the capital. The Indians covered that distance in three and a half days since they crossed the border.

A London Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Bombay said that regular Hyderabad State troops and the Razakars were reported to be following a scorched earth policy in retreat before the Indian forces. Widespread mining of roads, bridges and sabotage by Hyderabad forces was also reported.

The spokesman said that only one airfield had been bombed so far—Bidar—and the airfields of Arund and Secunderabad would not be bombed at present. He said there was no evidence yet of any Hyderabad air force action.—United Press.

OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE  
Lahore, Sept. 16.—Indian Army forces in the eastern and western sectors failed to make any progress, a Hyderabad defence communique broadcast by Hyderabad Radio tonight claimed.

The communique confirmed the recapture by State forces of Hing-hall, in the northwestern sector, which had been taken by Indian forces yesterday.

An official announcement by the Hyderabad Government, also broadcast by Hyderabad Radio, said Indian troops were not treating captured Razakars in accordance with the International Convention.

The Razakars were fighting as regular soldiers of the Nizam's de facto forces and it captured should receive the same treatment as prisoners of war, the announcement added.—Reuter.

More Slayings In  
Malaya  
Kuala Lumpur, Sept. 17.—Communist insurgents killed three Malay policemen and seriously wounded seven others at Sintok village, near the Siamese border, Government said on Thursday. Three other policemen are missing.—Associated Press.

Blowing Up Bridges  
The Bombay Free Journal said that the Hyderabad forces were blasting down bridges and scorched the earth ahead of the Indians. In Aurangabad in the north the retreating Hyderabad forces from this second city of the Princely state scorched the airfield which the Indian engineers were repairing for quick use by the Indian Air Force.

Hyderabad Radio last night broadcast an impassioned appeal to all Arab countries to come to its aid in its "righteous fight for freedom." It appealed especially to the Moslem state of Pakistan.

Poonja dispatches dated Thursday but delayed in transmission said the Indian Army Force on the road from Sholapur, heading toward Hyderabad, was a mixed armed force which included paratroopers.

The dispatches reported that the Indian Air Force, bombing ahead of the advancing columns on Tuesday, hit Bidar airfield and Hyderabad columns were reported moving up along the road.

"POLICE ACTION"  
The Poonja spokesman insisted that the Hyderabad operations were "purely police action." He said the dispersal of the Indian forces over so many areas was completely against good military tactics but is a

## BRITAIN REDUCES HER TRADING DEFICIT 55%

### House Of Commons Cheers Sir Stafford Cripps' Statement

### THE BEGINNING OF AN UPWARD TREND

London, Sept. 16.—Britain's trading deficit with the rest of the world has been reduced by 55 percent—an annual rate of £280,000,000 as compared with £630,000,000 last year.

Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps announced this to a cheering House of Commons today. His statement coincided with the publication of revised estimates of Britain's balance of payments up to the middle of 1948.

The estimates for the first six months of 1948 showed an overall deficit of £140,000,000. They revealed a surplus of £16,000,000 on invisible trade—covering shipping, tourism, and similar items—in the first half of this year, as against a deficit of £102,000,000 last year.

Sir Stafford Cripps said that, he believed this marked "the beginning of an upward trend which will be maintained so that in time our invisible income will once again make a significant contribution to making up the balance of our overseas trading account."

The estimates showed a net drain of £253,000,000 on Britain's gold and dollar resources during the first half of this year. Last year the total drain was £1,024,000,000.

Acknowledging the contribution made by the rest of the sterling area in helping to relieve the drain on gold and dollar resources, Sir Stafford Cripps said their achievements since the end of 1947 had been immense.

### GOODS AND SERVICES

Sir Stafford Cripps said that Britain is now supplying more in goods and services to the European countries particularly in shipping and in oil than she is receiving in the aggregate. The excess in the first half of the year was at the rate of £80,000,000. This had been a contribution to European recovery.

He said legislation would be introduced into Parliament next session to approve the scheme under which Britain will be giving \$22,000,000 in grants to various European countries. This, with a reduction of \$207,000,000 in sterling balances would be a contribution by Britain in goods to Europe.

He added: "We must carry this through if we are going to see economic co-operation succeed in Europe. It is an absolutely fundamental basis for the possibility, and it is only upon that economic co-operation that the idea of a Western Union can be successfully carried through."

Sir Stafford Cripps said if it proved possible to inaugurate the scheme on October 1, he proposed to arrange for any initial advances which might be required in anticipation of Parliamentary approval.

Sir Stafford Cripps said the whole purpose of the scheme was to enable European trade to be carried on without any recourse to gold or dollar payment by way of margin.—Reuter.

Longshoremen's  
Offer  
San Francisco, Sept. 16.—The striking CIO Longshoremen today offered a new proposal for loading Army ships which they said would permit immediate sailing of supply vessels for Pacific bases.

The dock workers "respectfully suggested" to the Army Secretary, Mr. Kenneth Royall, that the independent stevedoring company of Griffiths and Sprague contract with the Government to handle Army cargoes during the 1952-union Pacific Coast maritime strike.

The union said it would work for Griffiths and Sprague at pre-strike pay, "and we can assure you work will commence immediately and continue without interruption during the entire strike period."

The longshoremen earlier had announced the signing of a contract with Griffiths and Sprague, providing a 15-cent-an-hour wage increase and continuation of the much-disputed union hiring hall.

The new proposal appeared to offer a solution to the Army's cargo problems in Seattle and San Francisco, where the stevedoring company operates.—United Press.

Car Crashes Bridge  
Brisbane, Sept. 16.—Eight people were killed today when a motor vehicle, carrying 30 employees of the Royal Australian Air Force, crashed into a bridge, overturned, and fell into Burdekin River, North Queensland.—Reuter.

## Reds And de Gaullists In A Pitched Battle

Paris, Sept. 16.—Communists and de Gaullists fought a pitched battle for 10 minutes today within a few feet of General Charles de Gaulle in the city of Grenoble.

The general watched the fight unruffled and left unharmed. The battle started when a Communist counter-demonstrator tried to break up the scheduled appearance of General de Gaulle in the Place de l'Hôtel de Ville, in front of Grenoble's City Hall.

The general's bodyguards interfered. Flats and clubs flew. The battle became general between de Gaullist and Communist sympathizers. At times there were wild slugging within a few feet of the general himself.

Several persons from both sides were slightly injured before the police broke up the fighting.

FIRST INTERFERENCE  
It was the first time the Communists had made a direct attempt to interfere with a rally at which General de Gaulle himself appeared, although they had previously made many veiled threats in that direction.

The incident occurred when all France was afraid the series of crises over the past two months could lead only to an open fight between de Gaullists and Communists. The Grenoble battle exploded as the new Government of M. Henri Queuille rammed through a new series of economy measures which fed discontent of the labour and contributed to the constantly growing outburst of strikes throughout the nation.

It is estimated that half a million workers already were on strike and more walkouts of varying duration are expected.

Tonight, the Right Wing predominantly Catholic Popular Republican party announced that it would support the Government's program only if the Government did something to cut the sky-high price of food.—United Press.



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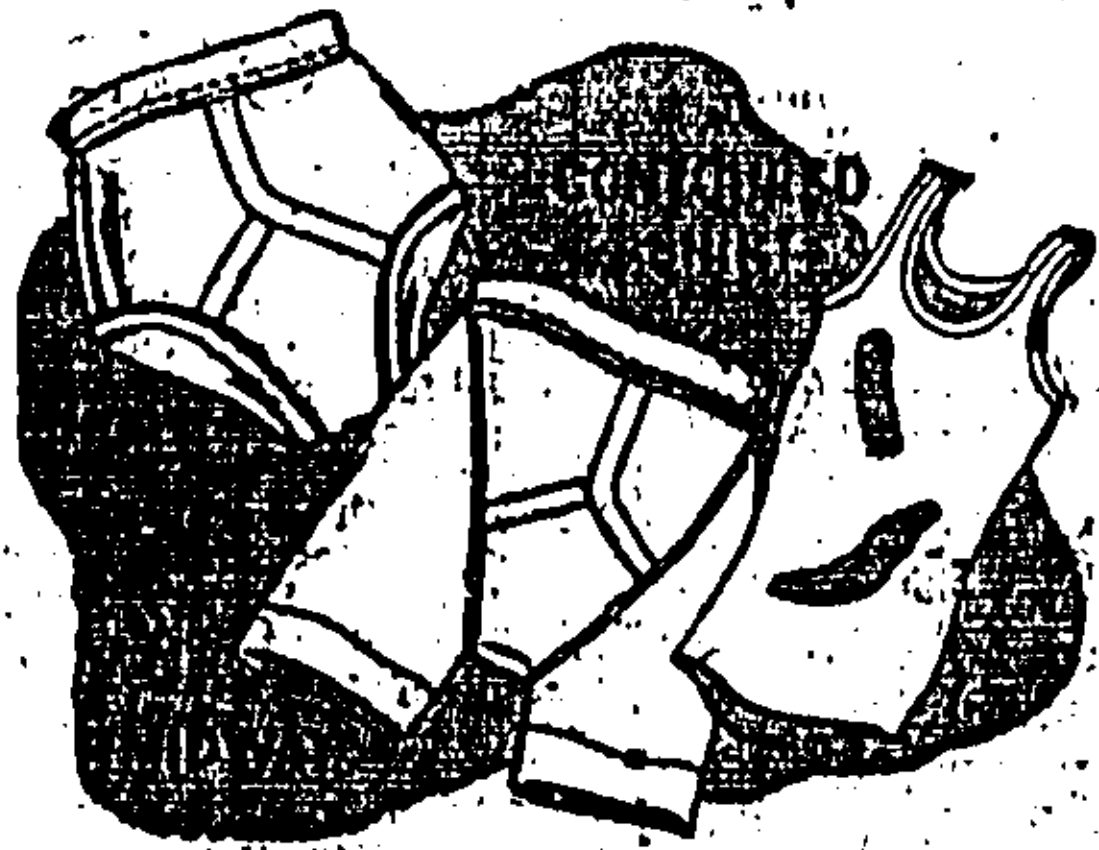
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## WOMANSENSE

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## Joan plans ahead

PATRICIA LENNARD tells how fashions can be teamed for teens

**E**IGHTEEN-YEAR-OLD Joan works in an office, has a moderate wage, and—like the wise junior miss she is—plans her clothes three to six months ahead before buying them.

She can be tall, short, fat, thin, dark or fair—she could be you.

And what is she planning to buy for her summer into autumn wardrobe?

On the left is a versatile top-coat, and centre, a jersey jacket and frock, started for the teenager because.

(1) She can carry the dashing line of the coat.

(2) She must keep to simple

styles, like those of the jacket-frock.

(3) She can indulge, in colour, in novel touches, in casual youthful styles.

Her topcoat is three-quarter length, of scarlet corduroy, flaring beneath a wide belt of the same material. Sleeves can be cuffed to three-quarter length and for extra warmth without bulk, there is a detachable lining of curly white lamb, which also lines the detachable scarlet corduroy hood.

### STEPPING OUT

Underneath, she wears a wool jersey jacket and frock in fine navy and white shepherd's plaid, right for cool weather together or apart.

Long sleeves can again be cuffed to bracelet-length. The frock has a

shallow scooped-out neckline and cap sleeves, is buttoned to the waist and has a straight skirt. She dresses up the complete suit with a white satin cravat, a navy fringed wool shawl, the frock alone with a scarlet snakeskin belt, silver jewellery, or pearls.

On the right, Joan steps out in an evening dress which is also extremely adaptable. For dancing, it is a strapless white, tulle dress (blues, pinks, mauves and greens are overdone for teenagers: try white or pale yellow or pearl grey) whose extremely full skirt is caught up in front with a huge white rose.

For a formal dinner, a cap-sleeved, tightly fitting bolero of thick white lace is slipped on. It starts three or four inches above the waist and buttons up to a high round neckline. This time the rose on the skirt is not worn, and it is allowed to billow out all round. And the scarlet corduroy coat goes over evening dress as well as the day clothes, only this time the coat is unbelted and the lining is not worn.

## Why Do The Chinese Eat Moon Cake?

**W**HY do the Chinese eat moon cakes on the 15th day of the eighth lunar month? The Moon Festival or Mid-Autumn Festival, as today's celebration is called, is remembered for the eating of moon cakes, cooked taro, spiced duck and pumelo. The custom has some historical significance.

China in the 14th century was overrun by the Yuans, descendants of Kublai Khan. Liu Chi, better known as Lau Pak Wan, a magistrate, conspired with Chu Hung Mao to overthrow the despotic Yuans. Lau made special round cakes, into which were hidden a message plotting to take action on the 15th of the eighth moon. These were circulated among the Hans under the pretext that whoever ate them would be free from evil. This was the beginning of the revolt which led to the final collapse of the Yuans, and the beginning of the Ming Dynasty with Chu as first emperor.

But moon cakes have undergone changes. More fanciful names and varieties have been introduced. Mashed dates, lotus seeds, ham, coconut, olive seeds and sweetmeats form, with brown sugar, the filling of the moon-shaped cakes. Relatives and friends make gifts of these.

Prices in Hongkong range from \$2 to \$10 for a box of four. In other parts of China moon cakes have been declared "luxuries". In Canton, the authorities have prohibited the making of moon cakes exceeding four taels each in weight and the price is fixed at 80 gold yuan cents each.

## Fashion Waits For New Look Man

BY PROOPS, FASHION EXPERT

**F**IVE HUNDRED almost hysterical women (and some men) fought their way into the season's first fashion show—Marcel Rochas's winter collection.

If they expected something startling and "different" they were disappointed. The New Look remained, only details were different.

Judging from the Rochas show, there will be little change for some time to come.

But there was always Christian Dior, the man who started the New Look.

His show was to be held later on and no-one would come to any conclusion about Paris fashions without seeing his offerings.

### A Bit Longer

On nearly all the dresses, coats and suits shown by Rochas there were pointed collars, more pin tucks and fewer pleats, belts wide in front and narrow at the back.

Skirts were a bit longer—about eight to ten inches from the ground.

In all the suits and dresses it was the waist which was important. Rochas makes all his mannequins wear the tightest possible wasp-waist corsets, pulling in the waist to 20 inches and less.

Hip lines are curved but not padded. And there are no shoulder pads.

There was only one fitted coat at this show—all the rest followed the "tent" line.

## Regular Exercise Important



Jane Greer, of the movies, likes to keep in trim by regular morning and evening exercise routine.

By HELEN FOLLETT

**T**O the eye of the artist a beautiful figure has a greater appeal than a pretty face. It is a treat to anyone to see a girl with a shape of rounded slenderness; she stands out in the crowd, especially if she moves with grace and splendour. It is folly to give all of one's beautifying moments to the care of the hands, complexion and hair, and fail to keep the body young, of good proportions.

Outdoor sports help to keep the musculature strong. But all women haven't the time to get out and play. Yet even the busiest career girl can snatch half an hour a day for muscle flexing. She'll say she has no time in the morning before beating it out for the job and that she is tired at night. The alibi is not accepted. Exercise before going to bed will relax her, make sleep more restful.

We suggest the goosetop that is good fun, almost a guarantee that she will not take on spread amidships as happens to women who sit at desks all day.

Stand tall, chest up. Place the hands on the hips and march. Keep

the ankle bone rigid, lift the legs as high as you can. Muscles from the toes to the torso will get into action. With the thumbs placed at the back of the waist line you will feel the movements of the fibres there.

No wavering of the body. Toes straight ahead. The feet should lift high enough to be on a level with the hips. Travel a straight line. Make turns abruptly and quickly. You are a soldier on parade. You are marching in the cause of health and good looks.

If you are not accustomed to exercise, goosetop for only five minutes the first day. Keep increasing the time until you have a fifteen or twenty minutes work out.

Another good exercise: Stand erect with feet apart, left hand hanging at side, right hand at side but palm out. At count of one, reach down with the left arm as far as possible at the same time aiding the stretch by swinging right arm straight out from side and over the head. At the count of two, return to the original position, three, repeat to right, four, return to first position. Repeat.

## BOYS AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### All Bubbles Aren't Round

—Punch Blew Some That Were Square—

By MAX TRELL

**T**HE children were sitting on the back steps blowing soap bubbles. Away went the bubbles with little windows in their sides, just as though they were tiny round houses, floating in the sunshine.

Knarf and Hanid, the children's shadows, watched for awhile. Then they went to the playroom to tell their friend Mr Punch about the soap bubbles.

"Very interesting about soap bubbles," Mr Punch finally said. "They were all round, weren't they?"

"Of course!" said Hanid, surprised that Mr Punch should ask such a question.

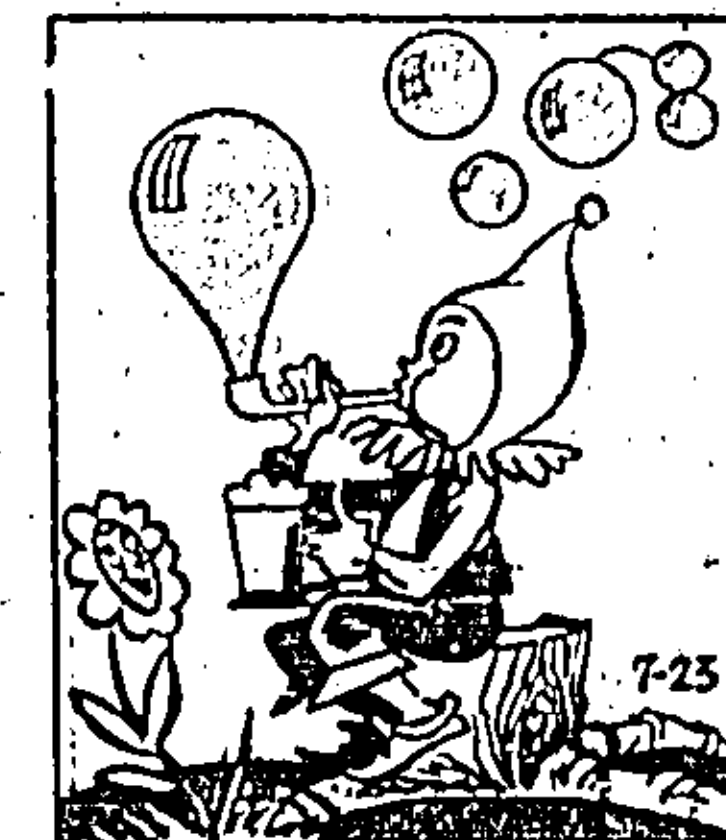
"Soap bubbles are always round," added Knarf.

Mr Punch smiled as he shook his head. "Not always, my dears. When I was a boy I often used to blow bubbles that weren't round at all." He glanced around to make sure that no one else was listening. Then he said in a low voice, "I used to blow square soap bubbles."

### Square Bubbles

"Square bubbles!" Knarf and Hanid exclaimed in astonishment.

"Sh-h!" warned Mr Punch, glancing around again. "I don't want anyone else to hear me. Some people don't believe the things I tell about. But I really did blow square soap bubbles. It was quite simple. I blew them through a square pipe and I always used a square cup."



When Mr. Punch was a boy, he often blew bubbles.

"But that wouldn't make any difference, Mr Punch!" Hanid started to say.

Mr Punch went right on. "Sometimes," he said, "I blew flat-round bubbles. I made them that shape by blowing them through a very short, flat pipe, and by using a dish instead of a cup for the soapy water. And once," he went on, lowering his voice to almost a whisper, "I blew soap bubbles shaped like notes of music."

"My goodness!" Hanid exclaimed.

"And they played a tune when they burst. Everyone used to wonder how I made them to do that."

"How did you?" Knarf asked.

"I blew them," Mr Punch answered, "through a whistle." And he smiled and winked and nodded. But he wouldn't say another word more.

### Boystown Projects

Sydney, Australia—The amazing success of Boystown in Sydney has inspired its founder, Father Dundee, to play similar towns in every Australian state.

The Sydney venture, which recently celebrated its ninth anniversary, followed the lines of the original Boystown established by Father Flanagan in Omaha, Nebraska.

Father Dundee opened his first town in a garage in a suburb of Sydney in 1939. When more boys arrived, he moved into a cottage and later went under canvas for six months. At present it has buildings worth £60,000 (\$200,000), including a memorial to the 100 boys who served in World War II.

Boystown is open to boys of all religions. Of the more than 1,000 boys who have passed under his guidance, not one has been a failure, according to Father Dundee.

### This Is the Air Age

Woonsocket, R. I.—Propped with four generous-sized pillows, 11-year-old Joey Ludovici of Woonsocket is already an old hand at flying.

The youngster, who made his first flight at the age of 10 months sitting on his dad's lap, is seeking a waiver from the Civil Aeronautics Administration so he can get a solo licence.

The flying activities of the sixth-grade pupil don't phase his mother a bit. She believes an aeroplane is safer than an automobile and is going after her own licence.

### Rupert & Ting-Ling—41



Mrs. Bear is only too glad to go away from the great distress, and in the cottage Rupert finds his father. He runs forward, and then remembers what he learned from Ting-Ling, so he stops and bows a very low "O honourable Daddy, I bring you great wonder from China," he says. "May I show it?" Mr. Bear smiles in surprise. "What lovely manners! Where did you learn them?" he asks. "There should be a good story here. Let's have it," And he listens carefully to all that Rupert has to say.

## RED RYDER

Talking Sense

By Fred Harman





# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**LIP SERVICE**—Assisted by two nuns, these five-year-olds demonstrate the speech and lip-reading learned during a special course at Washington's Catholic University. The four children went to the course from St Mary's School for the Deaf in Buffalo.



**PARTNERS**—Screen star Rosalind Russell and her husband, Fred Brisson, seem to be having a wonderful time as they go waltzing at the Waldorf. The couple was seen in favourite night spots all over town during their recent vacation in New York.



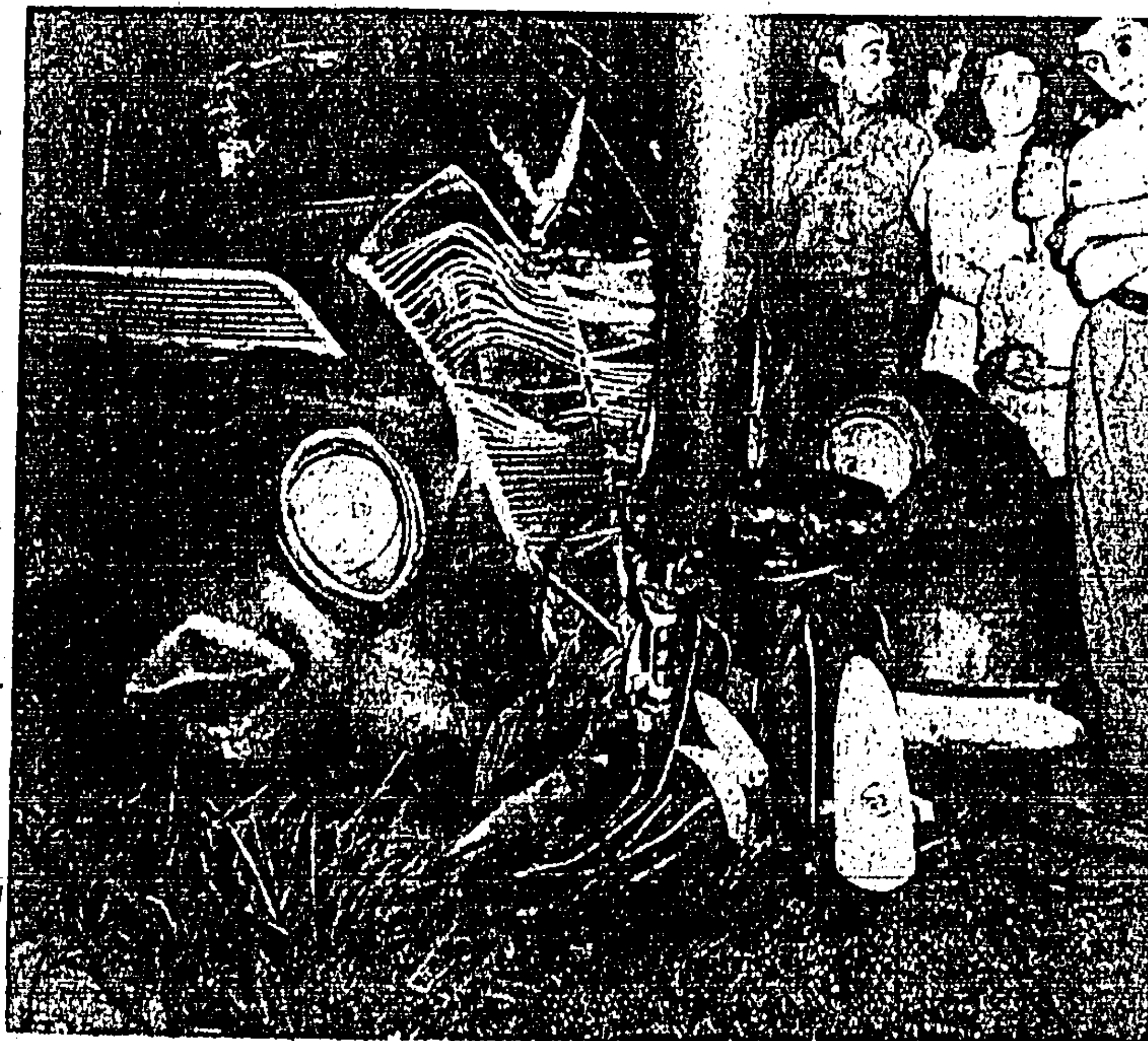
**RIDES ON BUS WITH BROKEN NECK**—An Atlanta nurse attends Ervin Carlisle who lies in a hospital after riding a bus from a town in Alabama, 124 miles away, with his neck broken. Injured there in an auto accident, Carlisle feared he would die unless he received specialised treatment, so he left the hospital there and rode to Atlanta. His condition was critical.



**AERIAL JOURNEY**—Bound for Manila, this German shepherd puppy looks somewhat sceptical before taking off from San Francisco. He is a special postwar passenger, part of the booming air traffic in dogs bound for Pacific islands to replace breeding stock wiped out during the war.



**CANADIAN REVIEW**—U.S. Defence Secretary James Forrestal (in civilian suit) inspects an RCAF Guard of Honour while in Ottawa for a "courtesy" visit. Forrestal also met the Defence Committee of the Canadian Cabinet and its top advisers, reportedly for discussion of co-ordinating Canadian-U.S. strategy against invasion from the north.



**HIT-RUN DRIVER**—An unknown hit-and-run driver left this scene behind him after the car which he was driving struck two boys riding a bicycle on Chicago's west side. One boy was killed, the other seriously injured, as the car pinned the bicycle and its riders against a lamp post.



**FROM A GOOD TEACHER**—A group of children from France, Italy and Greece, sent to the U.S. as official emissaries for the United Nations Appeal for Children, gets a few tips on baseball from Mel Ott, New York Giants manager.

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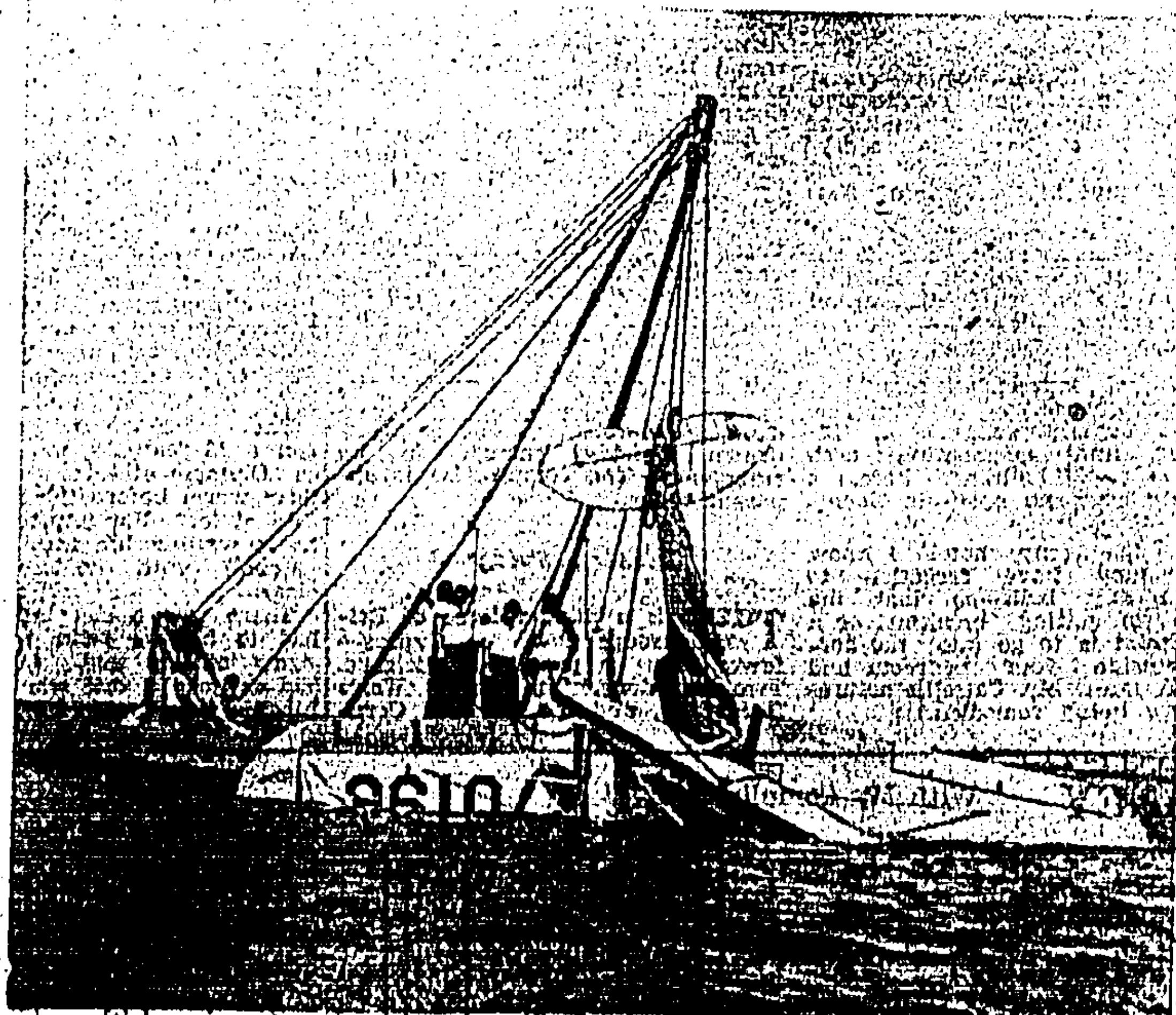


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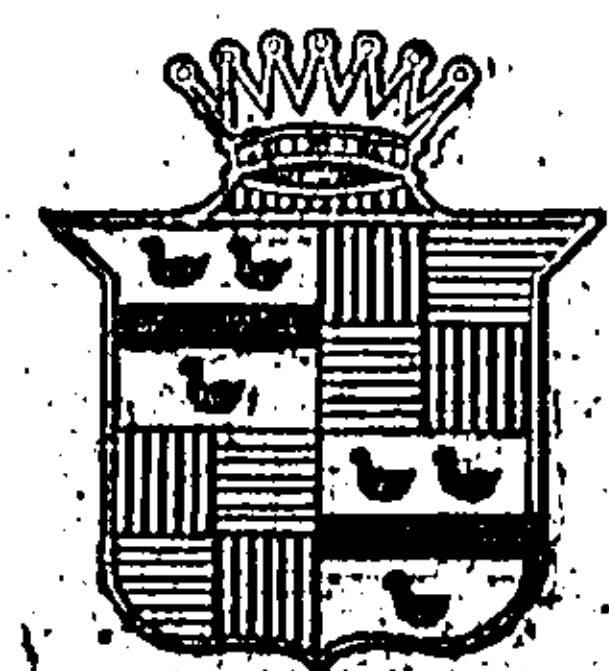
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**OUT OF THE DEEP**—A sea-going derrick lifts a light plane from the waters off Lido Beach, N.Y., after two youths crashed while practising take-offs and landings. Although the plane seems water-logged, the aspiring pilots escaped without injury.

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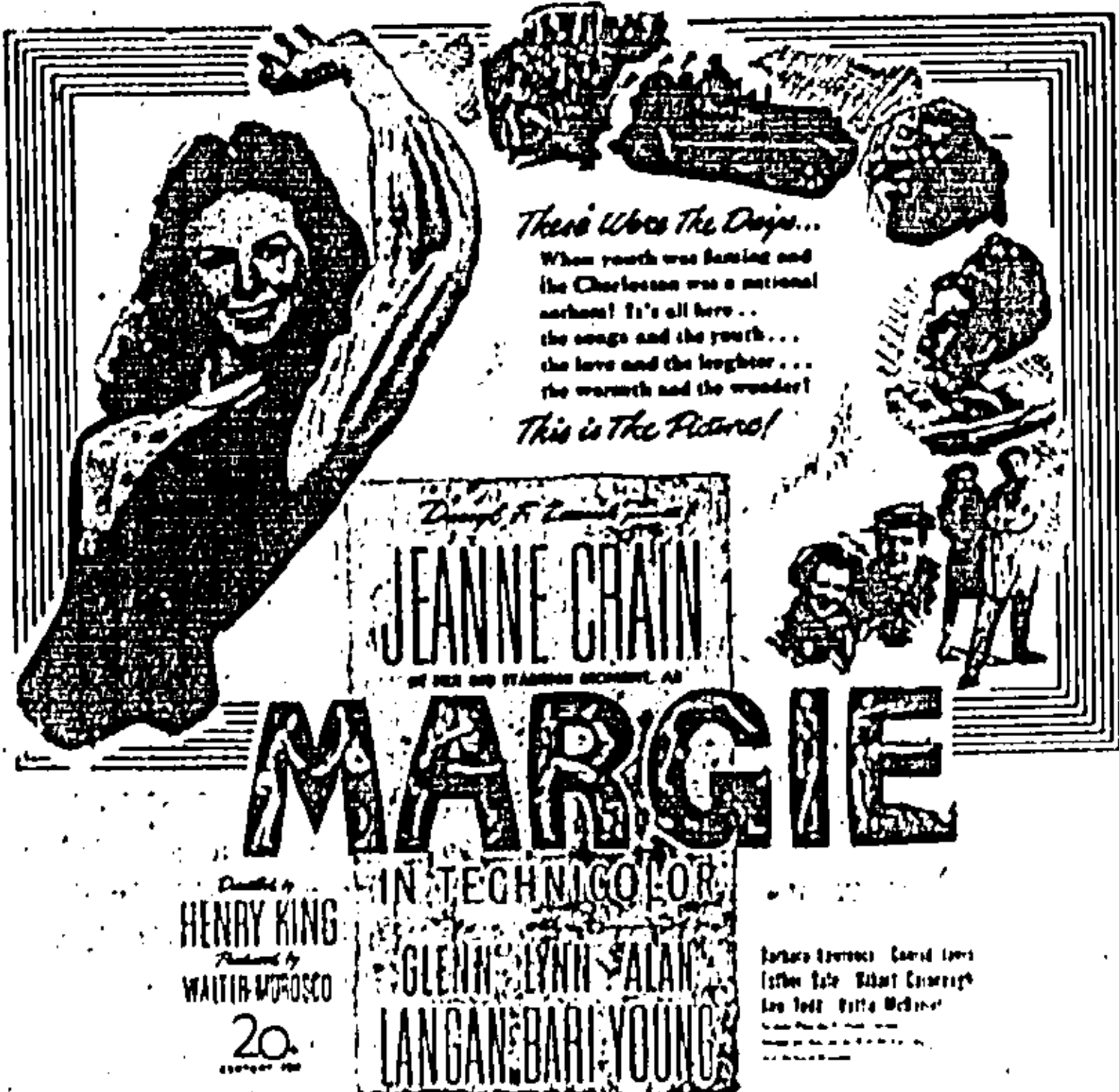
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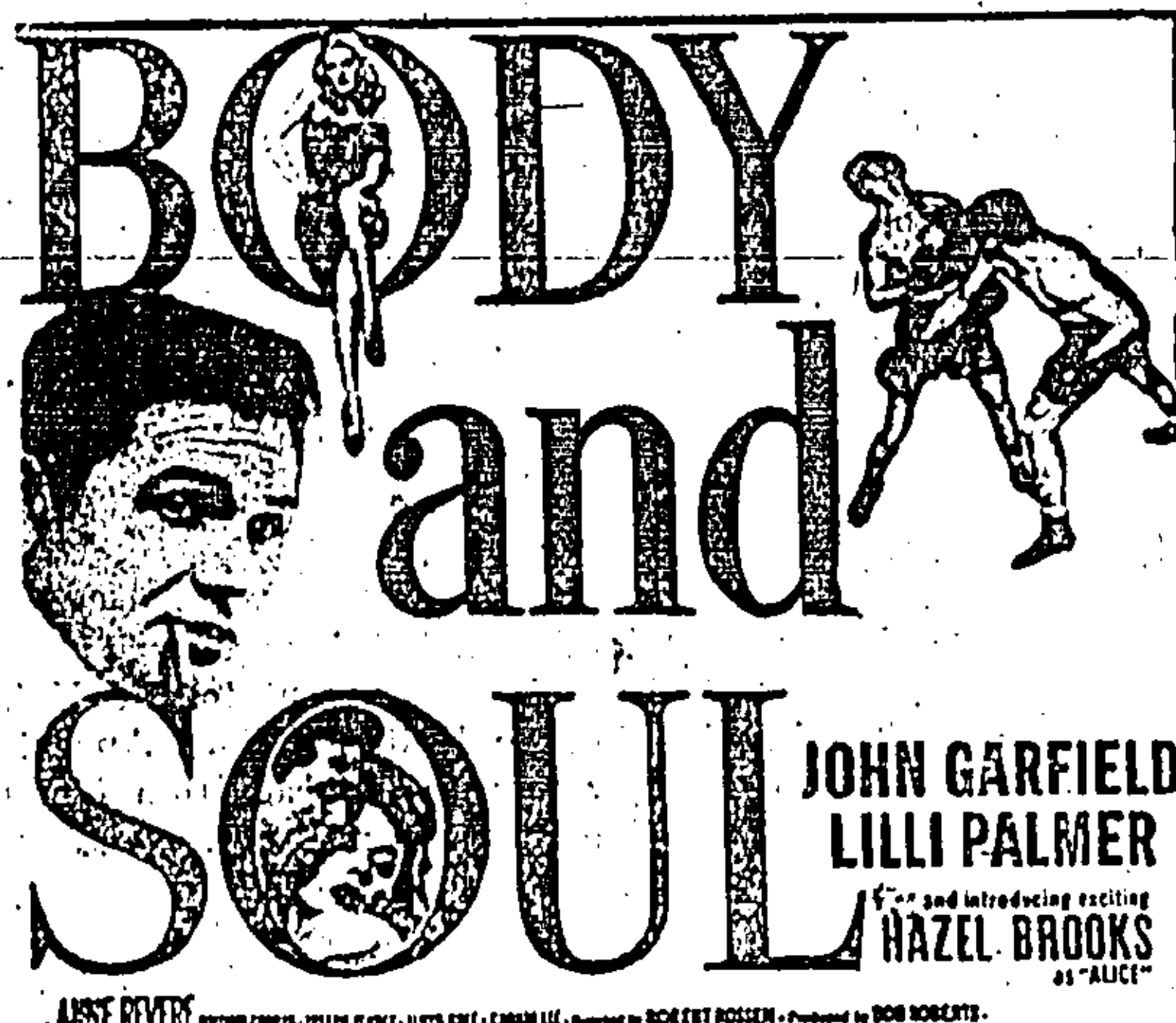
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It is the majority opinion of 140 Britons that it is better to have a job. For the past three months they have been doing what you have been dreaming. They're sick of it.

The place where the experiment in all play, no work, is currently on test is the Dome Hotel, Kyrenia, Cyprus—a fine, long, low 145-roomed hotel jutting out into the clear blue Mediterranean.

The experimentalists are men and their families from the big oil companies of Palestine, forced into idleness by the decision to withdraw from that country pending peace.

They have all the pleasures of your day-dreams. They have good food, any amount to drink, mountains to climb, crystal waters to swim in. Their hotel rooms have baths. There is an English country club. A library. A cinema. There is unlimited sunshine.

Men and women who used to live and work in Haifa now sit for hours along the sea front, eating their meals together, playing tennis in the same fours, drinking at night in the same company. They are burned browner than your boat.

## Leisure

YOU will see one husky oil company officer returning dust-and-sweat-caked from a mountain hike. Then there is a skilled refinery process-engineer, lying flat on his stomach on the blue sea, a fish harpoon gun in his hand, breathing steadily through an underwater breathing apparatus, gazing hour after hour into the mysterious bed of the sea.

But...

"It was all right for the first month," says the majority. "It began to pall during the second. What will it be like after six months? It's demoralising enough already."

It is wonderful for the children, palatable for the marrieds; but it is, oddly, best of all for the handful of administrative men from Consolidated Refineries Ltd., Haifa, who have set up office in the hotel and work six or so hours a day.

The Dome Hotel, where most of the oilmen are congregated and where the first principles of hedonism have been so rudely shattered, is probably the most peaceful hotel in the Middle East today.

It is at the moment one of the hottest but one of the cheapest hotels in the Eastern Mediterranean circuit, costing about 25s. per day with food, depending on your room.

It is a strangely shambling structure which Mr. Catsells, its Cypriot owner, delights in rebuilding and augmenting each year—a new ballroom here, a new bar here, an open-air cinema there.

It is the only hotel I know where they have forgotten to put in any bells—so that the system of getting breakfast or a clean towel is to go into the corridor outside your bedroom and yell. (A fault, Mr. Catsells assures me, now being remedied.)

The hotel's main atmosphere—noticeable especially if you have come from the bombs, bullets, censorship, movement restrictions, and curfew law and order of the Middle East—is peace.

Peace and the British flag flapping on a flagpole above the little Kyrenia port customs, shed near by.

## The future?

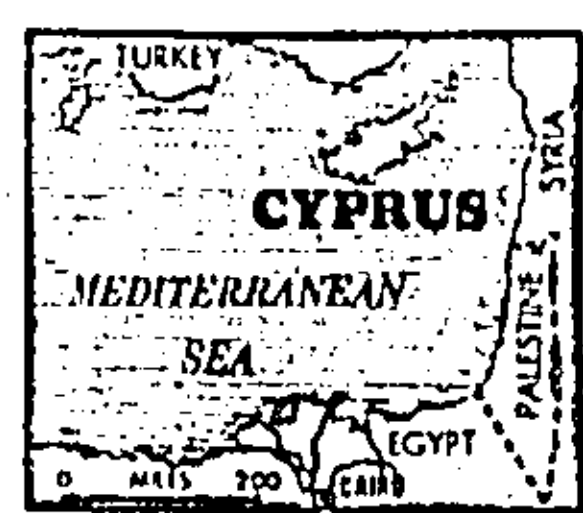
HOW long the Union Jack will flap, and whether the peacefulness of the Dome Hotel, of Kyrenia, Cyprus, depends on the world outside, and the Cypriots themselves. There are two fronts, external and internal. Where does the future lie?

The island of Cyprus (area 3,000 square miles, population 474,000, occupied by the British in 1878, annexed in 1914, Crown-colonised in 1925), lying rather like an austere pork chop 40 miles south of the Turkish mainland, is today shaping up as a key-point in the Anglo-American defence line in the Eastern Mediterranean.

It is not that yet. But there are symptoms of growth in that direction.

Cyprus is in preparation as a look-out and as a listening-post for Britain and America.

For both Britain and America... a look-out and a listening-post...



by PETER DUFFIELD

Spend another 24 hours on the island and you learn that the American "Mats," or Military Air Transport Service men are here—weather and fuel experts guiding planes in from the States to Saudi Arabia, now that the Cairo or Lydda routes are shut down.

They are working on Nicolaia airfield, in perfect conjunction with the R.A.F. unit that controls the airport.

Another 12 hours and there is the story of the erection of America's greatest monitor station abroad—now being constructed with British permission and American dollars to serve the State Department with the latest and the best in Slav propaganda translation.

A few hours on the airport to realise that Cyprus has, too, suddenly become the crossroads to the Middle East—planes flying one hour to the Arab States, the next, to Israel.

Charter planes from Australia, Holland, South Africa, and smaller firms like Hornton Airways, London, fly in, stay awhile, refuel and check out.

You don't have to stay long to learn of the existence of William J. Porter, the first American Consul on the island. Over the past years you may have met him in Damascus, Beirut, Jerusalem. A shrewd man, with a background of 12 years in the Middle East.

There is nothing sinister in all this—just good politics and good business. Good business like the American geo-physicists wandering round the island looking for oil, employed by the Iraq Petroleum Company.

And while the tiny American nucleus on the island grows (there are 125 on the island), what of the British?

In the last war the Royal Air Force felt it was a worthwhile base. The Army did not. The Air Force held that it could become a floating island airport—and built 13 long, heavy-bomber airstrips to prove it.

The Army held that troops could not be taken to the island quickly enough to protect it, or be withdrawn quickly enough in an emergency. The compromise is apparent today.

## The Army

THERE is a minute force of British troops now on Cyprus—fewer than a peacetime brigade. Two battalions, the South Wales Borderers and the Duke of Corn-

wall's Light Infantry, are on the coast, mostly occupied in guarding the 12,000 remaining Jewish detainees on the island.

For the rest, headquarters, leave camps, hospitals are down to a bare minimum. Five thousand is a good figure for the whole Army strength on the island.

But the Army maintains a Forces broadcast station—a transmitter which has its own programmes and relays the B.B.C.—fair enough evidence that we shall maintain a bigger Army strength in Cyprus than we did ten years ago. Strength then—one company.

R.A.F. strength is more transient, more variable. Latest figures: Two Spitfire squadrons—some Tempests. Two jet-planes. Station Commander—rank Group Captain.

Without sensationalising Cyprus as "spy island," put it this way: enough aircraft to look out—enough radio sets to listen in.

The oilmen swimming round the Dome know little of these struggles. As far as they are concerned they are in almost as idyllic a spot as they can find.

And they would still sooner be at work.

R. M. MacCOLL sends a holiday heartcry

## Be thankful your children aren't roped in for this!

WASHINGTON. JUST now in the cool New England States, and especially in Massachusetts, Vermont, and New Hampshire, thousands of American children are members of organised holiday camps.

In the mountains or at the seaside they are swimming and horseback riding, playing baseball and practising archery, getting tanned, heavier, and presumably healthier.

There is only one thing wrong with this otherwise idyllic picture—two young MacColls are among the campers. And why should this strike a jarring note? Because—it makes Father's bank account look like a case of pernicious anaemia.

Those of you now sunning yourselves while your offspring remain contented and happy with spade and pail may perhaps get a kick out of a quick glance at my expense account for the camps. For believe me, holiday camps are Big Business in America today.

## 'Musts': 36 items

MOPPET Number One is a 12-year-old boy. He is disporting himself in a style to which I certainly was not accustomed at his age at an establishment in New Hampshire.

The basic fee is £100 for two months. But that was only the start. The camp sent me a slight list of things which were "musts." It consisted of 36 items. They ran from polo shirts to fishing equipment.

There were also items not considered strictly necessary but "desirable." As far as my son was concerned they, too, were "musts." There was a camp uniform. When I use the singular I mean that there is a design for a camp uniform, of which seven sets must be purchased. Not just for weekdays, but a different one for Sundays.

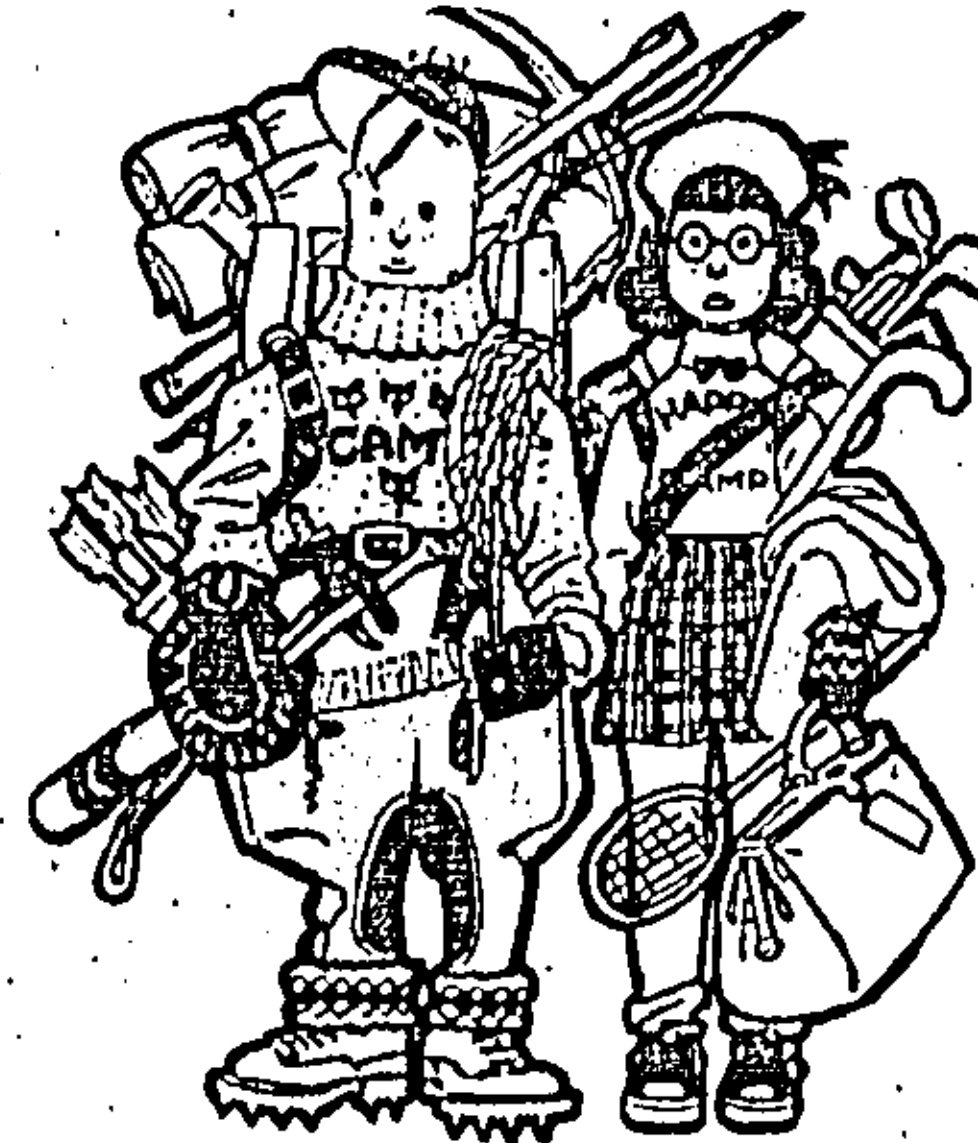
There was a snappy sweatshirt (for a 12-year-old, mind you) such as Olympic athletes wear to keep them warm before the big race.

What for? For him to wear while he is waiting his turn to "bat" at baseball (with the other 12-year-olds).

There was a sleeping bag which had to be the same kind as U.S. Army officers use. (Wish I had had as good a one when I went to Albania some years back.)



"Catch me argu' the toss at Margate during MY recess..."



## Drawing by ROBB

What did he want with a sleeping bag? Didn't the camp provide beds? Oh, yes, but this was for one—ONE, mark you—"overnight," when the boys leave camp and have fun in the surrounding woods.

He had to have tetanus "shots." The doctor was rather reasonable about this—only an extra two guineas. But shopping for that camp list really took me to the cleaners, as they ruefully say in America.

By the time we had got all those uniforms and lovely jerseys with the camp crest worked in three colours on the chest, those seven pairs of tricky little shorts (week-day and Sunday ones), the electric torch, the gym shoes, the moccasins, the drinking cup, the mess kit, the six pairs of special socks, the knapsack, the heavy wool sweater, the "optional" camera, the "optional" fancy-dress costume, the heavy leather, the extra blankets, the hunting knife, the two pairs of riding breeches, three boxes of paper handkerchiefs, and much else besides, I had disbursed, with the worst possible grace, the sum of £43 10s. 2d.

Just the other day I got a letter from the camp director. Gently he reminded me that I had overlooked two small items.

Would I kindly remit £2 10s. for my son's "spending money," and a further £3 5s. for the various group photographs which would be such a jolly reminder of a happy time for my son down through the years?

Moppet Number Two is an 11-year-old girl. She is scraping along in a Junior Savoy somewhere in the hills of eastern Pennsylvania.

Her camp's basic fee, by some strange freak, was a piffling £25. Her list of "accessories" was as long as my arm, but much more expensive than my arm has hitherto proved to be.

There were 26 items, including 15s. for a dozen "special" woven name tags, and a duffle bag with zip fastener only £1 12s. (Federal tax included). The whole caboodle set me back a matter of £27 9s. 6d.

## The 'grub'

SAID the prospectus: "Our camp is very proud of the fine foods we give our girls. Former campers tell us that in later life they grow nostalgic as they recall the 'homey' flavour of our hot rolls."

Hot rolls? For £95? What, no sausage and mashed?

Train fares for my son to New Hampshire were five guineas. Driving my daughter to Pennsylvania cost £1 10s. in petrol.

So there they are. I hope they are "having a wonderful time" for the total outlay of £280 11s. 2d. which I have made.

But somehow I'm not sure. They keep writing to say how nice it will be to come home again. "Only another 23 days..." You know the sort of thing.

Now, if this aggravated assault on my funds were all it would be bad enough. But it is not. Over and above this I have had to grapple with forms of all things—two or three for each child. Huge, great things, and no heel-taps permitted.

There was a "personality chart" for my daughter—12 questions. What sort of personality chart does an 11-year-old rate, for heaven's sake? Her interests, aptitudes, "attitudes" towards this and that. Her temperament, hobbies, illnesses, successes and failures. Her reaction to groups.

Her popularity or lack of it. Who can be running this camp? The House Un-American Activities Committee?

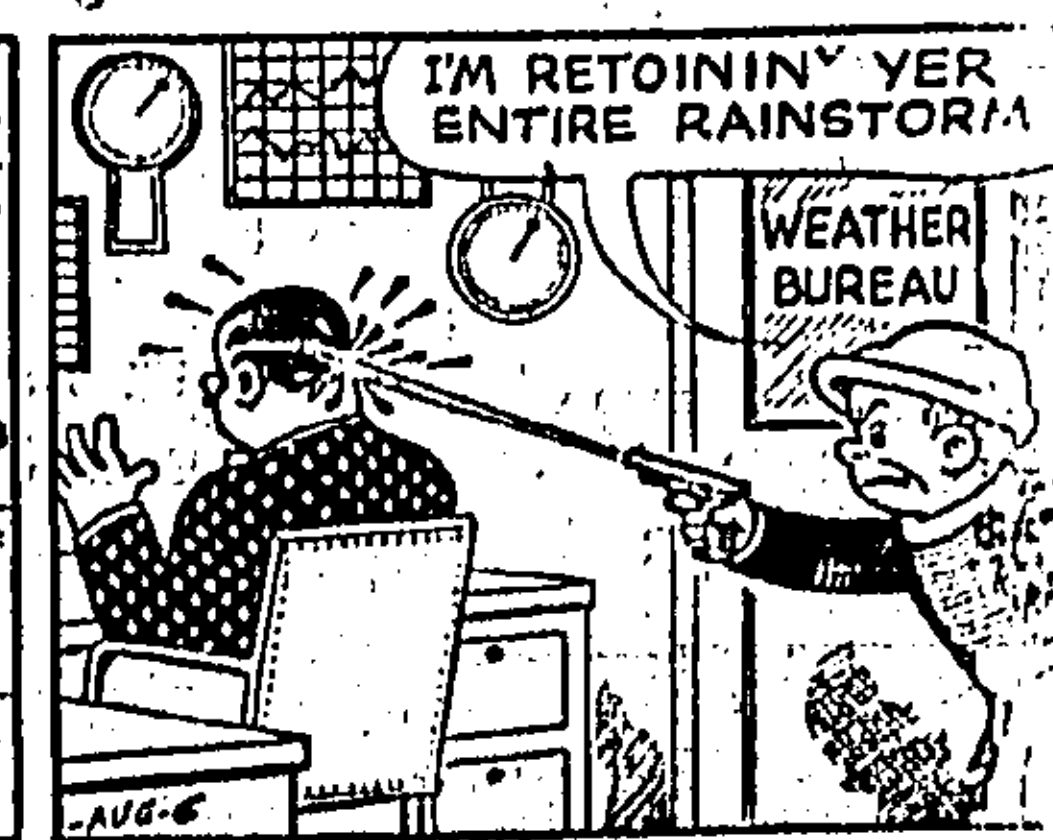
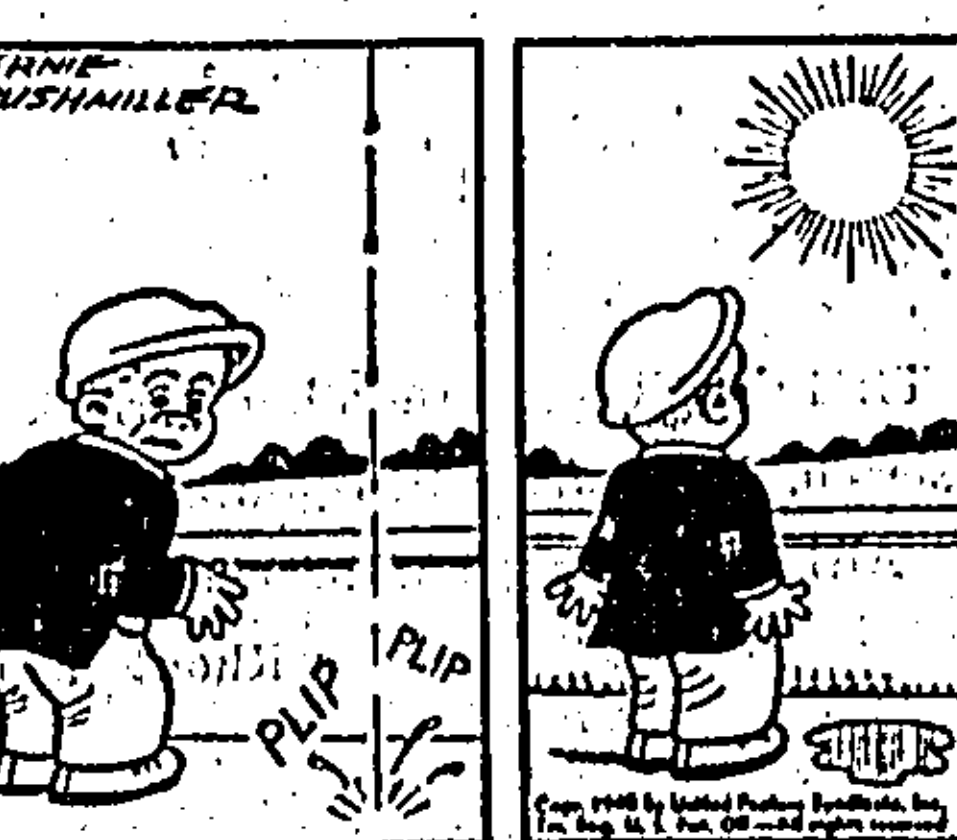
## What's free?

SO next time little Derek or tiny Pamela runs up to you just as you've embarked on the pleasant snooze in the hired deck chair on the sands, with the old cry of "Daddie, what shall I do now?" "Daddie, what shall I do now?" "Daddie, what shall I do now?"

After all they don't represent so much in sunken capital, do they?

"The land of the free and the home of the brave," wrote Francis Scott Key in "The Star Spangled Banner." This is the Home of the Brave, all right—they send their children to summer camps. But FREE? What is?

NANCY With My Compliments





# SECURITY COUNCIL HEARS HYDERABAD & INDIAN DELEGATES

Paris, Sept. 16.—India and Hyderabad made opening statements on their dispute to the United Nations Security Council here tonight. The Council later adjourned till Monday. Hyderabad's Foreign Minister, Nawab Moir Nawaz Jung, told the Council that his country was now fighting "a brutal invasion, which had shocked the conscience of the world." He appealed to the Council to investigate his country's appeal without any procedural delays.

He said that the world has been "stirred to the deepest apprehension by the premeditated act of war emanating from a state which had based the claim to its own independence on high spiritual ideals of non-violence."

He spoke of a "pitiless blockade" imposed by the Dominion upon his state and said: "Unless measures are taken immediately there is a distinct possibility that the world may be confronted with a fait accompli engendered by a triumphant force."

The Indian representative, Sir Bhanu Prasad, contended that Hyderabad had no right to present her case to the United Nations. He added that India's action had only been taken after the march of events compelled it.

The Indian delegate said that Hyderabad was in possession of tanks, 25-pounders and other weapons.

Turning to Sir Alexander Cadogan, the Chairman, he remarked: "You, Mr. President, as head of the British delegation, are in a better position than any other member of the Security Council to say how they came to be possessed of such weapons of destruction."

Earlier, the Council had rejected a Chinese proposal that the meeting be delayed as the Chinese Foreign Minister had not arrived.

## MALIK'S QUESTIONS

After that the Soviet Union's Mr. Jakob Malik, said that he wanted information on Hyderabad and asked Sir Alexander Cadogan questions on Hyderabad's status and relations between Hyderabad and India, and if British officials were acting as advisers to the Hyderabad Government. Sir Alexander replied that no British were acting as advisers to the Hyderabad Government.

Sir Alexander said he would give these answers to the Soviet delegate's questions: "On August 15, 1947, the suzerainty of the Crown over Hyderabad and other Princely States came to an end, and none of the powers of the Crown were transmitted to the Government of India or Pakistan."

"Hyderabad did not subsequently accede to either of these governments. On November 22 Hyderabad entered into a standstill agreement with India for 12 months. One of the effects of this agreement was to place the conduct of Hyderabad's external affairs in the hands of India."

"Since then, there have been allegations of breaches in this agreement, but no resort was made to the arbitration clause in the agreement."

"The Soviet delegate asked me if any British officials are acting as advisers to the Hyderabad Government. My answer is in the negative."

Mr. Malik said: "Before the Security Council can adopt this item on its agenda it must have more information about the present and in particular about the status of Hyderabad."

## RIGHT TO LIVE

The Council agreed to invite the representatives of the two parties to the table.

The first to speak was Nawab Moir Nawaz Jung, who said: "The very existence of my country (Hyderabad) is now being defended on the field of battle against a brutal invasion, which has shocked the conscience of the world and which has rallied to the defence of the principles of the United Nations even those who, not having had an opportunity of listening to our own plea in defence of our own right to live, have been inclined to justify the claims of India."

"But we are conscious that a great and most significant portion of the task of defending Hyderabad will have to be performed here, before this high organ of the United Nations and before the public opinion of the world."

"The world has been stirred to the deepest apprehension by the premeditated act of war emanating from a state which had the claim to its own independence on the high spiritual ideals of non-violence."

"The world has listened before to the shrill explanations of the invader, pointing to disorder and anarchy, which its liberating army was about to remove. Such is the disorder and anarchy alleged by the invader in Hyderabad that hundreds of foreigners have declined the assistance of their governments offered help in their evacuation."

## PITILESS BLOCKADE

The peace of Hyderabad was only disturbed, he said, by "the anarchy and disorder and massacre which the aggressor is letting loose upon our country, which he has tried to wrangle by a pitiless blockade."

"The world has heard on other occasions, the menacing language of

military commanders in charge of mechanised and other divisions of the Indian Army now operating in Hyderabad territory.

"Sherman tanks are 'liberating' the people and the planes of the Royal Indian Air Force are bombing the population of Hyderabad in order to restore law and order."

"We are confident that the Security Council will listen to the deep apprehension of the world at this great and momentous event in Hyderabad and the anguished cry of the people of Hyderabad itself."

"Our case is that the United Nations is confronted with the most dangerous and most serious on-going situation since the Charter was set up; that this breach of the Charter is not the result of a sudden eruption of passion but is due to a premeditated plan, the implications of which have been carefully weighed and deliberately accepted."

"That the action taken by the Dominion of India constitutes a denial of the principles of independence and equality as laid down in the Charter; that the cause of Hyderabad has now been identified with these principles; that it is within the province and the power of the United Nations to prevent the accomplishment of the criminal design and that action—swift, authoritative and determined—must be taken to prevent and to arrest this threat to international peace and justice."

## DANGER IN DELAY

"The Council will realise that time is limited, that mechanised forces, fully equipped, are operating on our territory and that there is extreme danger in any avoidable delay."

"The situation now demands immediate action by the Security Council, not only under Chapter VI of the Charter relating to the peaceful settlement of disputes, but also under Chapter VII, which bears on the action of the Security Council for enforcing its decisions for safeguarding the peace of the world."

Nawab Jung also urged the Council to investigate the question of "the economic life of a peaceful people strangled by a systematic blockade admittedly adopted as an instrument of political coercion."

He said that medicines were prevented from entering the country and "an organised campaign of border incidents and raids was started in a manner which showed clearly the connivance and, in some cases, active participation, of the Dominion of India."

He accused India of treating the standstill agreement as a "scrap of paper from the very outset."

"The guiding motive," he said, "has been to coerce the Government of Hyderabad to renounce the independence of its country and to make it, politically and internationally, part of India. That independence of Hyderabad and its complete legal right to independence have been fully conceded by Great Britain."

The Hyderabad Foreign Minister declared: "Even at this hour, I declare that if a stop is put to hostilities and provided that the invading forces are withdrawn, we are ready to put forward constructive proposals for a general settlement which no fair-minded persons would regard as unreasonable."

## INDIA'S CASE

The Indian representative said that the vital aspect of the question was whether or not Hyderabad had the status necessary to allow her to bring the case before the Security Council.

"I think it is extremely important that the Council should take into consideration this aspect of the question. It is vital to the Council."

"I am one of those who have had, and continue to have, the highest regard for the organisation called the United Nations. In fact, the part I have taken from time to time in the work of the United Nations would not have been taken except for the fact that I had and my Government had this high regard for the United Nations."

"It is very important that the Articles of the Charter should be properly appreciated and respected. Otherwise, the utility of the United Nations would be considerably impaired and great damage would be done to peace itself."

"Hyderabad has not the necessary status to come and present its case to the Council."

Hyderabad presented its case on August 21, he said, and the question was whether on that date Hyderabad was competent to come before the Security Council.

"You have heard a very gruesome tale presented by Hyderabad," he said. "This story has no bearing at all on the application which Hyderabad made on August 21."

## HYDERABAD'S WEAPONS

Referring to Indian troop activities, he said: "It has been said that this was an aggression and that we are doing things which were wrong."

"Anyone who knows anything about India knows that my country

more than any other abhors the use of force."

"Time and time again the Indian Government had considered whether it was necessary to take action to restore internal peace in Hyderabad," India's representative said.

"That the march of events compelled it." The facts had shown that the Hyderabad Government was in possession of tanks, 25-pounder guns and other weapons.

"The case today is simply that Hyderabad is not competent to appear before the Security Council."

"I shall at the proper time state that Hyderabad can never be an independent state and, therefore, can never come up before this Council."

He asked time to prepare his case and sought leave to appear before the Council again for this purpose on Monday.

Sir Alexander Cadogan then suggested that members would like to study the statements made today and proposed that the Council adjourn until Monday. This was agreed to.—Reuter.

## RAF SEEKS 6,400 NEW RESERVES

London, Sept. 17.—Air Minister Arthur Henderson said on Thursday the Royal Air Force will seek almost 6,400 new reserves in the recruiting drive Britain will open on October 1.

He laid down this goal at a meeting in which Service chiefs discussed the campaign with chairmen of the Territorial and Auxiliary Forces' Associations. Others at Thursday's meeting were Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, Secretary for War and Sir Hugh Sanders.

Service chiefs earlier conferred with Prime Minister Clement Attlee at 10 Downing Street. They were reported to have talked about how much it will cost to carry out the government's new policy of keeping currently enrolled troops in service three months beyond their scheduled discharge date.—Associated Press.

## China's Foreign Minister Here

On his way to attend the United Nations General Assembly session in Paris on September 21, China's Foreign Minister, Mr. Wang Shih-chieh, accompanied by three officials of his Ministry, arrived at Kai Tak aerodrome at 9.15 this morning. The Foreign Minister was greeted by a large gathering of British and Chinese officials.

At the aerodrome Mr. Wang chatted with his friends while waiting for a BOAC plane to take him to Bangkok.

Mr. Wang will be attending the Paris conference as China's chief delegate and he will be assisted by many other officials including some Chinese diplomats in Europe. The conference is scheduled to discuss many important issues including the former Italian Colonies and recognition by the United Nations of the new Government under Dr. Rhee in southern Korea.

## Fijians Offer To Serve Again

Suva, Fiji, Sept. 16.—Fiji chiefs have written to King George VI offering their services if Britain is involved in another war.

The letter said: "We know that the shadow of a possible impending war is cast on the world again and we hasten to assure Your Majesty of our services in whatever capacity for the defence of your person and Empire—a task in which our young men have already, we hope, displayed some little prowess."

More than 2,000 Fijians served overseas in the last war.—Reuter.

## Famine Still Threatens

Rome, Sept. 17.—Norris E. Dodd, General Director of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation on Thursday warned at a press conference that famine will again threaten the world if suitable steps are not taken.

This danger, said Mr. Dodd, especially threatens heavily populated and underdeveloped areas of the world—namely China, India and parts of Latin America.—Associated Press.

## SHADES OF WARTIME



This scene, reminiscent of the Americans' stay in wartime England, is of more recent vintage. This crew member of one of the U.S. B-29s, which recently arrived in England, is being "shown the town" by two British WAFs.

## Government Criticised Over Handling Of Malaya & Hyderabad

London, Sept. 16.—The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, is expected to make a statement on Malaya next Wednesday. Mr. Anthony Eden, Deputy Leader of the Opposition, asked in the House of Commons today for assurance that a full statement on the Malayan situation would be made before the end of the special session of Parliament tomorrow week.

Members wanted the latest information before they dispersed, Mr. Eden said, adding that there was widespread concern about Malaya.

Mr. Eden's request reiterated the Conservatives' protest that no Government statement was made in last night's debate.

In reply to the points raised about Malaya, Mr. Herbert Morrison, Leader of the House, said today that there were questions on the Order Paper for Wednesday and that it would be right then for the Colonial Secretary to make a statement on the Malayan situation.

Mr. R. A. Butler, a former Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, also criticised the Government's handling of the Malayan situation when he resumed the debate on the King's Speech for the Opposition.

## NASTY TASTE

"The position in Malaya," he said, "is one which reveals as much as anything else the dilatoriness and inefficiency of the British Government."

The fact that we had the Colonial Secretary sitting there yesterday looking exceedingly uncomfortable for a large part of the day and that he made no reply in the evening has left a nasty taste with us on the attitude of the Government on this vital question."

Mr. Butler also spoke on the issue between India and Hyderabad. He said that the British Government had declined to see representatives of Hyderabad when they were in Britain during the summer on their way to India.

Mr. Butler stated that he had done his best, through his experience of Indian affairs to try to bring the British Government together with the representatives of Hyderabad.

"I had absolutely no success," he said amid Opposition cries of "Shame."

The Government were adamant in saying that they would not intervene, or even see the representatives of Hyderabad, who were visiting this country on their way to India.

"The Government then resisted the suggestion, because of legal and technical considerations, of interfering or not in the affairs of one country or another," he added.

## CRIPPS' INFLUENCE

He believed that Sir Stafford Cripps had more influence with India than any other man and that the British Government had great influence with the Government of India.

"Therefore, I believe a very great responsibility rests on the shoulders of the British Government to exercise their influence in India at the present time to an extent, which may bring this terrible situation to an end."

"I, therefore, say fairly and squarely, the responsibility does not only rest on the United Nations and the technical considerations whether this case can be heard. It rests fairly and squarely on His Majesty's Government."

Majesty's Government to exercise their influence and to use it in the right way in a strong manner, which they have not yet used."

Mr. Butler wondered whether the time was not ripe for the setting up of some Commonwealth machinery which could be brought to bear in disputes of this sort, which only brought discredit on the whole Commonwealth.

"I put this suggestion forward on my own responsibility, but with the strongest conviction. While the Government is willing to tramp from the foreign country to another, it is only this autumn that they are going to summon a Commonwealth conference."

## IMPERIAL DEFENCE

"Practically nothing had been heard about Imperial defence, but it was quite clear that the Empire was far keener to prove that it could speak with that independent and united voice and be that genuine third voice, 'not the miserable third voice of International Socialism, but that Imperial third voice which would stand between the two giants of the East and West.'"

Referring to Kashmir, Mr. Butler said that it seemed there was grave danger whether the United Nations was going to be taken seriously or not.

"We are at the crossroads in the history of the United Nations."

Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who spoke next, did not refer to India. He dealt solely with economics.

Mr. Reginald Paget, Labour, said that he thought the House should recognise India's position. What would have been Britain's attitude in face of things which had been happening in Hyderabad, the Nizam seeking to have his own foreign policy, the flying in of arms negotiations for a sort of "No responsible government which is actually going to rule there can possibly stand for that sort of thing from the Princely States."

## PARAMOUNTCY

Britain, he said, had not handed paramountcy to India, but she had handed over the title deeds of paramountcy.

Mr. Godfrey Nicholson, Conservative, said that he thought the situation was grave enough to merit "some passing word" from Sir Stafford Cripps, "who probably has more influence on India than any single European."

"The Government, in effect, had proclaimed itself completely disinterested as to what was happening in India and Hyderabad."

"Whatever happens at the United Nations, I hope the Government will still send a message to the people and the Government of India that we do not judge the merits of the case, but that on all sides of the House we unhesitatingly condemn the method which the Dominion of India has adopted to settle this dispute," added Mr. Nicholson.—Reuter.

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## FOREST HILLS

## Herbie Flam Enters Semi-Final

New York, Sept. 16.—Unseeded Herbert Flam, the former National Junior Champion, entered the semi-finals of the Men's Singles at Forest Hills by defeating Harry of Likas of San Francisco 2-6, 6-4, 6-0.

Wimbledon champion Bob Falkenburg also entered the semi-final, defeating Clarence Carter 8-6, 6-3, 6-4.

## HOME FOOTBALL

London, Sept. 16.—Swansea Town, leaders in the Southern section of the Third Division, dropped their first game of the season when they lost their away match with Leyton Orient.

Other football results today were:

**FIRST DIVISION**  
Chelsea 2 Charlton A. 2

**THIRD DIVISION (Southern)**  
Leyton Orient 3 Swansea Town 1  
Newport County 1 Reading 1  
Northampton 2 Southend U. 2  
Walsall 0 Bournemouth 0

**THIRD DIVISION (Northern)**  
Carlisle United 1 Rochdale 1

**RUGBY LEAGUE (Yorkshire Cup)**  
York C. A. 0 Huddersfield 01

**(Lancashire Cup)**  
Leigh 10 Warrington 15

**RUGBY UNION**  
Stroud 3 Gloucester 3

—Reuter.

## HOW THEY STAND FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
Portsmouth	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Derby	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Newcastle	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Sunderland	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Huddersfield	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Charlton	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Wolverhampton	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Bolton	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Manchester	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Arsenal	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Chelsea	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Burnley	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Liverpool	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Manchester U.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Huddersfield	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Stoke C.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Blackpool	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Sheffield U.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Preston N. E.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Huddersfield	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Aston Villa	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Everton	8	0	2	1	17	8	14

## SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
Bury	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Southampton	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Tottenham	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Queens P.R.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Leeds	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Bradford	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Hartlepool	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
West Bromwich	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Fulham	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Brentford	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Leicester C.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Covey	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Cardiff	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Sheffield W.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Blackburn	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Grimsby	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Plymouth	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
West Ham	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Luton	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Lincoln	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Notts F.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Sheffield F.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14

## THIRD DIVISION (Northern)

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
Birmingham	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Tranmere	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Wrexham	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Grimsby	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Sheffield F.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Blackburn	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Grimsby	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Plymouth	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
West Ham	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Luton	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Lincoln	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Notts F.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Sheffield F.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14

## THIRD DIVISION (Southern)

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
Swansea	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Spawley	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Bournemouth	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Exeter	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Torquay	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Port Vale	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Notts F.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Sheffield F.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Blackburn	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Grimsby	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
Plymouth	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
West Ham	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
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Notts F.	8	0	2	1	17	8	14
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## Coming Events In The Sports World

## TODAY

Schools' Seven-a-Side Soccer, Quarter-finals & Semi-finals, Causeway Bay, 3 p.m.  
Dinner to Macao Police Football Team, Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.  
Football: Combined Hongkong & Macao Police Team v. Chinese Football Association Team, Boundary Street, 6 p.m.  
Lawn Bowls: Craigengower open Pairs Tournament (2nd Round), 3 p.m.

## TOMORROW

Lawn Bowls League, First Division, IRC v. KCC at Happy Valley; HKFC v. KCC at Happy Valley; HKFC v. KBGC at Chater Road.  
Second Division: KBGC v. HKFC at Austin Road.  
Stanley Shield Seven-a-side soccer, Second and Third Rounds, Happy Valley, 6 p.m.  
Inter-School Swimming, Chinese YMCA, Bridges Street, 7 p.m.

## SUNDAY

Lawn Bowls: Craigengower Rinks Competition (semi-final), 4 p.m.  
Inter-School Cricket Trial at KCC.  
Lawn Bowls: First Division: KCC v. IRC at Cox's Path, 4 p.m.  
Schools' Seven-a-Side Soccer Final at Happy Valley, 6 p.m.

## COOPER CATCHES FOUL UNDER PRESSURE



Catcher Walker Cooper (left) of the New York Giants, snares an 8th inning foul off the bat of Phil Rizzuto at game in Philadelphia, as Pitcher Schoolboy Rowe (right) of the home team tries to upset the Giant backstop by yelling "No, No, No."

Walker (note expression on his face as the ball rests in his glove) caught the ball just a step from the Phillies dugout.—AP Wirephoto.

## A CANADIAN JOURNALIST LOOKS AT

## What It Is That Makes Fleet-Footed Hollanders

BY JIM COLEMAN

As every soldier knows who saw service in Europe, there is as much sport in Holland that is not organized as there is organized sport.

Athletically, the Dutch are against being regimented. They did permit themselves some organization during the war when, under cover of darkness, they would select teams for the job of dunking their German guests in Amsterdam's many canals.

This was considered to be a pretty hilarious sport and the Dutch never tired of it. They probably miss it now.

Holland, of course, has a national sport. It is a variation of "Shoot the Dutch" and it is called "Dutch Housewife".

The sport consists of catching and boarding an Amsterdam tram.

No one in Holland ever would think of waiting until a tram stopped before attempting to board it or before attempting to disembark.

It's done at top speed and young children go through a rigorous course of calisthenics for several years before they are permitted to ride on street-cars.

All the bearded men keep their facial foliage in a snood when chasing after the trams. Very occasionally, one of them who is becoming a trifle giddy, won't gauge his landing correctly and will be plunged into a canal.

The Hollanders have created a crafty technique for frustrating the motorists. They hide behind the curtains in their house until they see a tram coming down the street.

They permit the tram to pass the house and then, while the motor-man's attention is diverted, they overtake it and leap on the back end.

The man who developed this latter technique is a certain Bas Van Pelt. Like many others among the world's greatest athletes, Van Pelt has a comparatively modest vocation. He looks after the shine of the brassware at the Krasnapolsky Hotel.

A correspondent ran into Bas Van Pelt quite by accident. He was inclined to be taciturn at first, but when we told him that the head porter had informed us of his athletic feats, he smiled happily and reminisced about his sporting career.

He got his start in a very peculiar way. He was visiting a young lady whose husband worked as a brakeman on the freight haul to Utrecht.

Well, it seems that old 794 didn't leave for Utrecht that day. In any event, when Bas Van Pelt cleared the threshold, he could see the tram half a block down the street and travelling very fast.

Despite this tremendous handicap, he overtook the car and hurtled aboard.

The exhilaration which this escapade generated, caused Bas Van Pelt to think of taking it up seriously.

He became a fanatic on the subject of catching trams. He practised long hours every day. He spent so much time at it that his work started falling off at the Krasnapolsky and the management was getting quite a few complaints.

However, when the hotel manager heard what he was doing, he encouraged Van Pelt to improve his technique.

Soon he became famous throughout Holland. Every morning, hundreds of people gather on the corner to see Bas Van Pelt come out of the house, buttoning his vest and making an epic sprint to catch the tram.

"So you're Bas Van Pelt, eh?" we said as we viewed the great man in considerable awe.

"Ja," said Bas Van Pelt. ("Ja" is an old Dutch word which means "You said it, Jackson.")

"Are you the greatest?" we asked.

"Nah," replied Bas Van Pelt. "Dr. Van Wuow is the greatest. Come, I will introduce you to him."

We went through a long dark street to a short dark house and Bas Van Pelt knocked on the door.

The door flew open and a short dark man who had the face of a scholar and a hand like an eagle's talon.

"Dr. Van Wuow?" we said, questioningly and respectfully.

"Ja," said Dr. Van Wuow. (We don't want to go through all that again.)

"Bas Van Pelt says that you are the greatest tram catcher," we said, giving him a singularly oily smile.

"Nah," said Dr. Van Wuow, shaking his head energetically. "I am not the greatest."

"Well, who is the greatest?" we asked in bewilderment.

"Come, I will show you," said Dr. Van Wuow, leading Van Pelt and the correspondent into a small dark room. Dr. Van Wuow lit a candle. "I will show you the greatest," said the good doctor, opening a small dark cupboard. As he did so, he motioned to us to remove our hats.

We watched tensely as he rummaged through a stack of books and papers.

Finally he came up with something in his hand. We could see that it was a newspaper.

He opened the paper and pointed reverently to a picture. His meaning was quite obvious.

"Boomstead is the greatest," said Dr. Van Wuow, "Dagwood Boomstead." — From the Vancouver Province.

## DUTCH HOUSEWIFE DOES IT AGAIN

Valneekskiki, Finland, Sept. 16.—

Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen of Holland, who established herself as the greatest woman athlete in the world during the Olympic Games, equalled the world record for the 80 metres hurdles during an athletic meeting here today with a time of 11.2 seconds.

The world record was set up during the Olympic Games at Wembley when Mrs. Koen beat the British girl, Maureen Gardner, by inches and both clocked the same time.

Mrs. Koen also won the 100 metres event today in 11.8 seconds, which was one-tenth of a second better than the time she won the Olympic title.

It was stated that Mrs. Koen will leave for a tour of Australia next January with her husband and children.—Reuter.

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Trinidad will stake a claim for George Lewis's 9.4 seconds in the 100 yards at the British Guiana Games at Georgetown in 1944.

While British Guiana points to two long jumpers in the vicinity of the 25-foot mark whose efforts may be recognized ahead of Australian Tom Bruce's 24 feet 10½ inches.

New Zealand claims the javelin throw record for Stanley Lay (222 feet 9 inches) and Northern Ireland the hammer throw mark for D. McD. Clark (about 170 feet.)

BASEBALL

YANKEES SPLIT TWO GAMES WITH DETROIT

New York, Sept. 16.—Rallying from the verge of a costly double defeat, the second place New York Yankees came back to gain an even split in today's doubleheader with Detroit.

The split kept New York a game and a half behind the American League leaders, the Boston Red Sox, who play tonight at St. Louis. Detroit won 2-1 in the opener, losing the second 4-8 to New York.

Throttled with only four hits by Freddie Hutchinson in the first game, the Yanks fell behind in the first two innings of the night cap and still trailed as late as the seventh.

The New York batting power asserted itself when a walk and two singles tied the score and Johnny Lindell hit a two-run double.

Joe Page tripled home the last two New York runs in the eighth. Page was the winning pitcher.

DIMAGGIO'S 300TH

Joe Dimaggio's fourth inning homer in the opener was the 300th of his 10-year major league career. Only seven other major leaguers have achieved the distinction.

In the National, second place Pittsburgh defeated New York 10-0 to cut the idle Boston Braves' lead to 4½ games.

Bob Chenes, prize rookie, survived a five-run fifth inning to go the route for his 13th win against four losses. He yielded eight hits.

Before the season's smallest crowd, 4,000, Brooklyn lost 12-6 and took undisputed possession of third place over St. Louis.

THE SCORES

**American League**

	R	H	E
New York (1st game)	1	4	0
Detroit	2	8	1
(Winning pitcher Freddie Hutchinson)			
New York (2nd game)	8	12	0
Detroit	11	10	0
(Winning pitcher Joe Page)			

National League

	R	H	E
Pittsburgh	10	18	0
New York	0	8	0
(Winning pitcher Bob Chenes)			
Cincinnati	0	11	0
Brooklyn	12	15	2
(Winning pitcher Minner)			

Associated Press.

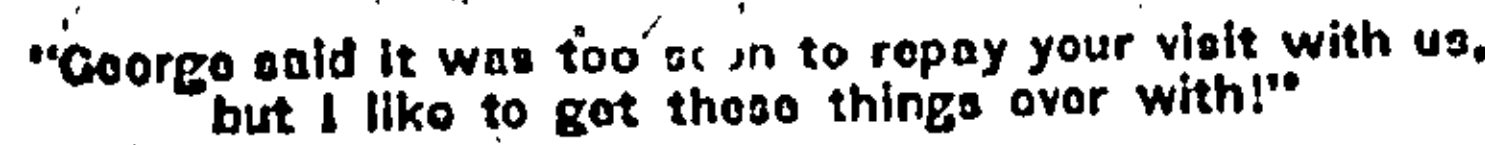
National League

	Won	Lost	Per.
Boston	81	58	.583
Pittsburgh	75	61	.551
Brooklyn	76	63	.547
St. Louis	75	63	.543
New York	73	65	.529
Philadelphia	58	81</	



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# Russian Brands MacArthur Violator Of Potsdam Agreement

Tokyo, Sept. 16.—The Russian political adviser, Mr. N. I. G. Generalov, at a three-hour meeting with Japanese Communist leaders, reportedly branded Gen. Douglas MacArthur as a violator of the Potsdam declaration, and promised continued Russian support for the Japanese workers "struggle."

Mr. Generalov again referred to Gen. MacArthur's letter of July 22 in which SCAP called for a Japanese ordinance banning strikes against the government, stating that such strikes would be counter to the objectives of the Allied occupation.

## Ethiopian Minister Affronted

Washington, Sept. 16.—The American Association for the Advancement of Science on Wednesday night expressed "profound regret" to the Minister of Ethiopia for a "serious affront" it said the Minister suffered at Constitution Hall on Monday night.

The Association, which opened its centennial meeting in the hall that night, said it had been reported to them that the Ethiopian minister had been asked by an usher—at the instruction of an unnamed lady—to leave his box and "take a seat elsewhere in the hall."

An Association statement said that after the incident, the minister left the hall.

The Association in its letter sent to the Ethiopian Minister, his excellency Haile Selassie, said in part:

"The officers of the American Association for the Advancement of Science were entirely unaware of this grave occurrence, which is the more shocking since it violates all the traditions of science and of the organization, and so profoundly humiliates us. We are entirely unable to determine the responsibility for it."—Associated Press.

## Strike To Be Called Off

New York, Sept. 16.—The Western Electric Company announced today that it has reached agreement in the wage negotiations with the association of CIO communication and equipment workers, ending the threat to a nationwide walkout by 25,000 workers scheduled for 6 a.m. on Friday.

Mr. G. A. Johnson, general manager of the Installation Division, issued a statement saying that agreement had been reached "on wages and other issues." Increases of nine to 14 cents an hour in the respective wage areas in the country provided along with other adjustments in expense allowances.

Mr. Ernest Weaver, National President of the ACEW, said that the strike is being postponed "indefinitely to give the members an opportunity to ratify the proposal made to us."—United Press.

## Singapore's Food Prices Down

Singapore, September 16.—Singapore's food control department reports general fall in recent months in most food prices.

Chief among these had been the price of black market rice now selling for the equivalent of 22 U.S. cents a pound, about half what it cost five months ago.

But food officials said fresh fish, poultry and eggs had increased in price recently.—Associated Press.

## CUTTER REACHES STRICKEN SHIP

New York, Sept. 16.—The Coast Guard cutter Bibb radioed today that she has reached the storm-battered Portuguese fishing schooner, Gaspar, 3,000 miles off the Newfoundland coast.

The winds were dying down, the Bibb reported, but the seas still were too rough to attempt the removal of the crew of 40 from the vessel. The Bibb was standing by. Earlier, an unconfirmed message from her captain said she was looking badly and would have to be abandoned.—Reuter.

## Freighter's Crew Rescued

New York, Sept. 16.—Thirty-eight of the crew of the abandoned 7,200-ton British freighter, the Leicester, were rescued today in mid-Atlantic amid hurricane-lashed mountainous seas. Twenty men were picked up by an American ship, the Cecil N. Bann, 400 miles southwest of Cape Race off Newfoundland, while the rest were rescued by an Argentine steamer. Four men were lost.—Reuter.

He reportedly asserted that SCAP's letter along with the resultant "pressure" exercised by the Japanese government were "violations of the Potsdam declaration" of the decisions of the Far Eastern Commission and of a Japanese constitution.

He pointed out to Japanese Communists that this view already was voiced officially by leading Soviet representatives in Tokyo.

### "UNLAWFUL" MEASURES

"We consider the measures taken by the occupation authorities and the Japanese government unlawful," Mr. Generalov declared.

The "Akahata"—Red Flag—daily, organ of the Japan Communist Party, said Mr. Generalov's statements were made on Tuesday at a meeting of representatives of the "Democracy Protection League" including Kokaku Hosokawa, Communist member of the House of Councillors. Mr. Generalov is political adviser to Lt. Gen. Kuzma Deroyanko, Russian representative on the Allied Council for Japan. The Red Flag said Gen. Deroyanko was also present during part of the meeting with the Japanese Reds.

Mr. Generalov reportedly told the Japanese visitors that the Soviet Union will continue their resolute and vigorous stand "for fulfillment of resolutions of the Allied powers."

He was quoted as saying: "To enable us to do so I would like you to furnish us with the necessary details. I also desire that democratic Japanese representatives will fight in the Diet against passage of the anti-people bill" for implementing Gen. MacArthur's letter.

Mr. Generalov said the delay in Japanese repatriates from Russian controlled territories is a "matter of transportation technique."—United Press.

## RAIL TRAFFIC RESTORED

Rangoon, Sept. 16.—Rail traffic between Rangoon and Mandalay has been restored three days after the insurgents destroyed a section of the line south of Toungoo—and Government troops captured a large number of saboteurs in the Toungoo district, tonight's Burmese Government communiqué announced.

The situation in Toungoo was reported to be quiet.

In the mop-up operations near Mandalay, 10 insurgents were killed and 47 captured, and a number of "White Band" People's Volunteer Organisation members, the armed militia of the Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League, surrendered to the Government forces at Maymo hill station, near Mandalay.

Burmese Air Force Spitfires attacked insurgent forces at a village near Syrian yesterday, it was added.—Reuter.

## COURTROOM DRAMA

### JUDGE COLLAPSES AND DIES

Jerusalem, Sept. 16.—Dr. Gao Schultz, member of the three-court trying two Britons, Sylvester and Hawkins on spy charges, died in hospital five hours after collapsing on the bench and causing the trial to be postponed abruptly.

Doctors said he died of a brain hemorrhage.

No decision has been reached yet as to his replacement.

Dr. Schultz, a veteran lawyer, suddenly fell toward the judges' bench while hearing the testimony of an Iraqi Zawal Leumi officer who conducted the first investigation of the two men's activities.

### COURTROOM CLEARED

The two accused Frederick Sylvester and William Hawkins were led from the dock and the courtroom emptied while a doctor was summoned. Dr. Schultz was later carried on a stretcher to a nearby hospital. His condition was described as "seriously ill."

The two Britons, both of whom looked well, had pleaded not guilty to charges that Sylvester radioed information on Arab shell hits in the Jewish part of Jerusalem; that both obtained information on Israeli troops' movements; that both conspired to obtain war secrets; that Sylvester possessed an unlicensed transmitter; that Sylvester operated the transmitter without a license.

The offences were alleged to have occurred while the men were working for the Jerusalem Electric Company.—Associated Press.

## U.S. To Remove Legation Officials

Washington, Sept. 16.—The State Department announced today that it has accepted a request from the Rumanian Government to withdraw four members of its Bucharest Legation staff, but flatly denied the allegation that they had been involved in making photographs in a "forbidden zone."

The State Department protested because Legation employees had been arrested, "detained incommunicado," subjected to considerable discomforts, intermittent interrogation and deceptive artifices apparently designed to extract supposedly incriminating evidence.—Reuter.

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House or Flat .....	No. of Rooms .....
Number in Family .....	
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Servants .....	
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Schooling .....	
Clothing .....	
Transportation .....	
Insurance .....	
Entertainment .....	
Any Other Items: .....	
TOTAL \$ .....	
Name and Address (not for publication) .....	



BERLIN REVIEW—Gen. Lucius Clay, U.S. military governor in Germany, reviews Berlin headquarters guard.

## Field Entertainments For Chinese Troops

Nanking, Sept. 16.—China's soldiers have been promised some fun with their fighting. A special services division headed by genial, rotund Lieutenant-General J. L. Huang has been activated to answer the desire for entertainment which in the past led troops to riot over entry to public theatres.

Field units whose programmes range from ancient Peking opera to modern motion pictures are being sent into service as rapidly as possible. At present there are 40 motion picture units and 20 theatrical troupes on duty in areas reaching from far western Sinking province to Taiwan island off the China coast.

Huang gave a preview of his new organization to a special conference of Combined Service Force officers meeting under their chief, General Kuo T'ien in Nanking. Its three-sided activities embrace urban centres, sound trucks, and special service kits for small units.

### PROGRAMME

Here is the programme as it was explained to the officers' conference: Construction of urban centres for officer and soldier entertainment in such places as Nanking, Shanghai and Hankow. The Nanking centre, opened recently, contains comfortable hostels where officers may obtain room at ten Chinese cents a night, where officers' men can buy hot baths for an American cent, have a good meal for the equivalent of five cents, a haircut for four, and see a motion picture of a Peking opera performance for less than one cent.

Each centre will have its own post exchange where soldiers may purchase necessities at well below market prices. 2. Operation of special service trucks, large white vehicles which are themselves travelling exchanges, libraries and theatres, plus a mobile post office, first aid station and ambulance for group games. General Huang has four such trucks in operation now, hopes for 40 before the end of the year, and says he needs 400 to care adequately for troops in the field.

### SERVICE KITS

3. Distribution of special service kits, each one designed to provide fresh entertainment for a company of 100 men. Packed in chests the size of foot lockers, each kit contains Chinese musical instruments, harmonicas, books and magazines, a record player and records, volleyball and baseball outfits, ping pong sets, handball equipment and other games. Each kit has also a framed photograph of President Chiang Kai-shek and a national flag, for use in decorating special service rooms.

Supplementing the special service programme is a system of rest camps located near large cities.

Father of China's special service establishment was Colonel John Ball, now retired, but former special services adviser of the American Army Advisory Group in China. Colonel Ball, a survivor of the infamous Bataan "Death March," spent much of his tour in China campaigning for better treatment and more entertainment for the Chinese soldier.

First special services units have been placed in charge of hurriedly trained officers, Huang said. But later graduates of a two-year course at China's special service school in Shanghai will take over the task of running the divisions activities throughout the Chinese Army.—Associated Press.

## Southern Rhodesia Election Returns

Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, Sept. 16.—Incomplete returns from Southern Rhodesia's Parliamentary elections on Thursday showed that Prime Minister Sir Godfrey Huggins's United Party has been returned to office with at least 18 of the total of 30 seats. The outcome was regarded as an overwhelming endorsement of Sir Godfrey's programme for continued close relationship with the rest of the British Commonwealth.—Associated Press.

## Communist Activity In S.E. Asia

### Noticeable Increase

Washington, Sept. 16.—American officials said today there had been a noticeable increase in tempo of Communist activities throughout South-east Asia since the Soviet delegation in Bangkok was opened in May although there are few acknowledged Soviet interests in Siam.

(The British Foreign Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, told Parliament yesterday that these activities were part of a Communist plan aimed at seizure of South-east Asia).

The areas believed to be covered by the new Communist unit include Siam, Burma, Malaya, Indo-China and the Netherlands East Indies. In most of these areas Communist inspired violence has grown steadily during summer. It reached such a level in Indonesia that the peace-making efforts of the United Nations "Good Offices" Committee had been seriously impaired.

### COMMUNIST TACTICS

Netherlands-American conversations on this problem will take place here over the weekend. The Netherlands Foreign Minister, Mr. D. U. Stikker, is due to arrive here today for talks with the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall.

Communist tactics in colonial Asia have closely followed those used in Europe, according to information reaching here. In each of the areas, operations are directed by one or more Moscow trained Communist, sometimes in an official position and sometimes underground. In French Indo-China, for example, France's efforts to reach an understanding with what was formerly her wealthiest colony have been thwarted largely through the efforts of Ho Chi-minh who spent four years in the Soviet capital.

Diplomats here are convinced that the Communist campaign is designed to strengthen Russia's bid to secure a voice in the Far Eastern settlement. The Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov, has demanded that Russia, by virtue of her brief participation in the Japanese war, be given a major role in the final Asian peace, including the right of veto. This position is strongly opposed by the other Big Four nations.—United Press.

## Salaries Too High

Bangkok, Sept. 16.—Siam's national budget committee is cracking down on government rice bureau after discovering plans to pay some officials larger salaries than the country's prime minister gets.

A new board had been planned to inspect various phases of rice production, sale and export. The director was to get 5,500 baht—US\$275 a month, his assistant US\$250. The national budget committee decided pay like that was too much.

They ordered a complete study of the government's rice programme which includes allocation of all paddy to mills, distribution of rice to the provinces and collection and control of imports.

The budget committee estimated that of 335 million baht—US\$16,000,000 the government would get from the rice programme, the various rice bureaus had planned to spend US\$1,200,000 for salaries.—Associated Press.

## LACK OF RADAR EQUIPMENT

London, Sept. 16.—Captain W. H. Combs, President of the Officers (Merchant Navy) Federation, stated today that only 150 of the 3,000 vessels in Britain's Mercantile Marine Fleet are fitted with modern radar equipment.

He told the annual meeting of the Federation that at the end of the last war Britain led in marine radar but after three prosperous years of great activity there was something wrong. In spite of this deficiency the safety of British shipping had become greater, owing to the high standard of navigation and general operation.—Reuter.

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